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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Medical Officer of Health

1965

R. GERWYN EVANS, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

County Medical Officer of Health

To the Chairman and Members of the Breconshire County Council.

I have the honour to submit to you my Annual Report for the year 1965.

The clinic programme was again delayed during the year and no new clinics were built during the year. It is also unlikely that any new clinics will be available during 1966. The three clinics scheduled for early erection are at Brecon, Abercrave and Colbren. It appears that the main cause for delay in building is the inability to acquire suitable sites.

The addition of fluoride to water has already been approved by the Breconshire County Council but has not yet been brought into effect. The are certain technical difficulties existing but I am pleased to report that the South East Breconshire Water Board (which is the major water undertaking in the County) has also agreed in principle to the addition of fluoride. Negotiations are in hand regarding this work.

The Chiropody service is further increasing and the staff now consist of one whole-time Chiropodist together with another part time officer. An additional part-time officer will be appointed in the near future, to meet the increasing demands throughout the County.

The Voluntary Agencies have given excellent service in the County, particularly in regard to the running of the Chiropody Service and I must again express my appreciation of the help rendered by these bodies.

The sale of welfare foods has further reduced this year in line with the national decline. This scheme is under consideration and changes in personnel are likely to be effected.

The figures for cancer are very much the same as last year and there is no significant change to report.

Once again I would like to thank my medical colleagues. nurses, dental and clerical staff for their co-operation throughout the year.

I have the honour to be

Madam Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant

R. G. EVANS,

County Medical Officer.

County Health Department,
Watton Offices, Brecon.
Telephone: Brecon 2456/7.
September, 1966.

Constitution of the Committees concerned with matters of Public Health, during the year 1965.

HEALTH COMMITTEE.

CHAIRMAN: Ald. Mrs. C. O. WILLIAMS, Plasgwyn, Abercrave

BRECON DISTRICT:

Coun. E. D. Morgan, Pantycorred, Garthbrengy, Brecon.
Coun. H. L. Jones, 49, Newmarch Street, Llanfaes, Brecon.

BRYNMAWR DISTRICT:

Coun. E. Robins, 26 George St., Brynmawr.
Coun. W. J. Morris. Rhyscae, Church Rd., Gilwern.

BUILTH DISTRICT:

Coun. T. H. O. Thomas, Talwrnmaenog, Llanwrthwl.
Coun. F. Lamacraft, Caergof, Beulah, Llanwrtyd Wells.

CRICKHOWELL DISTRICT:

Coun. J. Mills Price, The Post Office, Cwmdu, Crickhowell (Retired).
Coun. J. E. Davies, Llwyncwtrach, Glangrwyney, Crickhowell.

DEVYNOCK DISTRICT:

Coun. Penry Davies, Penrhiw, Trecastle.
Coun. David Lewis, M.B.E, Padest, Sennybridge.

HAY AND TALGARTH DISTRICT:

Coun. J. V. Like, Skynlais House, Church Street, Hay-on-Wye.
Coun. D. P. Hopkins, Brynteg, Bronllys, Brecon.

VAYNOR DISTRICT:

Coun. G. H. O. Gasson, 25 Maesgwynne, Cefn Coed (Retired).
Coun. P. Lewis, Ashfield House, Cefn Coed.

YSTRADGYNLAIS DISTRICT:

Coun. J. E. Williams, Tanybedw, Cwmgiedd, Ystradgynlais.
Coun. John Hughes, Gwynfryn. Penycae, Swansea Valley.

Ald. Mrs. C. O. Williams, Plasgwyn, Abercrave, (chairman).
Ald. T. R. Jones, Daren, Darenfelen Rd., Brynmawr.
Coun. W. J. Millichap, Tregunter Lodge, Talgarth.
Coun. F. D. Jones, 38. Station Road. Hirwaun, Nr. Aberdare.
Coun. Anthony Rees, Warwick House Warwick Road, Brynmawr.
Coun. R. Morgan. Eiranfa, Derwen Rd., Ystradgynlais.

MEMBERS CO-OPTED BY THE COMMITTEE:

Dr. T. L. Davies, Aelybryn, Llanhamlach.

County Ambulance Service Transport Sub-Committee.

Chairman: Coun. J. E. Williams, Tanybedw, Cwmgiedd, Ystradgynlais

BRECON DISTRICT.

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Coun. H. L. Jones, 49, Newmarch Street, Llanfaes, Brecon.

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Coun. Anthony Rees, Warwick House, Warwick Road, Brynmawr.

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Coun. F. Lamacraft, Caergof. Beulah, Llanwrtyd Wells.

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Coun. J. E. Davies, Llwyncwtrach, Llangrwyney, Crickhowell.

DEFYNNOG DISTRICT.

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Coun. David Lewis. M.B.E., Padest, Sennybridge.

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Coun. P. Lewis, Ashfield House, Cefn Coed, Merthyr Tydfil.

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Coun. John Hughes, Gwynfryn, Penycae, Swansea Valley.
Coun. J. E. Williams (Chairman), Tanybedw, Cwmgiedd, Ystradgynlais.

MEMBERS REPRESENTING OUTSIDE BODIES.

BRECON AND RADNOR HOSPITAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

Dr. T. L. Davies, Aelybryn, Llanhamlach.

ORDER OF ST. JOHN OF JERUSALEM.

Commander A. V. Thomas, O.B.E., R.N., J.P., Tretower House, Crickhowell.

BRITISH RED CROSS SOCIETY.

Mrs. N. Garnons-Williams, Glan-Clydach. Aber, Talybont-on-Usk.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES SUB-COMMITTEE.

Coun. W. J. Millichap, Tregunter Lodge, Talgarth (Chairman).

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Coun. E. Robins, 26 George St., Brynmawr.

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Dr. T. L. Davies, Aelybryn, Llanhamlach.

LADY MEMBER APPOINTED BY THE COMMITTEE.

Ald. Mrs. C. O. Williams.

STAFF OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

MEDICAL.

County M.O.H. and Principal School M.O. (Tele. Brecon 2456/7).	R. G. Evans, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.
Deputy C.M.O.H. and School M.O.	J. K. Jones, L.M.S.S.A., D.P.H.
Assistant C.M.O.H. and School M.O.'s	C. M. Evans, B.Sc., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P. (Retired). M. W. Evans, M.B., B.Ch., M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., B.Sc. (Part Time).
Assistant C.M.O.H. and S.M.O., and Dist. Medical Officer for Southern Districts	Creighton E. Edwards, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H.

N.B.—Consultant Medical Staff (Part Time) see page 11.

DENTAL.

Principal Dental Officer:	Mr. J. H. Sutcliffe, L.D.S.
Dental Officer:	Mr. P. J. George, L.D.S.
" "	Vacancy
Dental Attendant.	Miss M. Anthony (Retired).
" "	Miss D. Jones (Resigned).
	Miss E. Abraham (Resigned).

NURSING.

Superintendent Nursing Officer.

Miss E. M. Main.
Brecon.
(Tele.—Brecon 2456/7).

Health Visitors and School Nurses.

	Area Covered.
Mrs. S. E. J. Rees, Brynmawr.	Brynmawr Urban.
Miss S. M. Thickens, Cefn Coed.	Vaynor (Cefncoedycymmer), Vaynor (Gelly and Duffryn), Dolygaer, Cwmtaff, Vaynor (Nantddu), Llanfeigan (Pontsarn), Llandetty (Pontsticill).
VACANCY.	Hirwaun (Part), Penderyn (Cefncoedycymmer), Nantddu, Hepste Hamlet, Ystradfellte, Pontneathvaughan, Torpantau, Cross Bychan, Rhigos (Part),
Mrs. J. Silk, 9, Victoria Terrace, Crickhowell.	Ffawyddog, Crickhowell, Llangattock, Cwmdu, Llanbedr, Llangenny, Llangrwyney, Grwynefechan, Tretower, Partrishow, Forest Coalpit (Part), Llanelly (Clydach).
Miss C. Williams, Ystradgynlais	Colbren, Penycae, Abercrave (including Isyrhos and Caerbont Hill up to Caerbont Corner), Right hand side of Brecon Road (going Southwards) as far and including Derwen Road, Lluest, Bryn Road, Lluest Fach, Minyrhos and Dolfaen. Penwyllt. Seven Sisters and Glyntawe.

Health Visitors and School Nurses (Continued).—

	Area Covered.
Mrs. E. G. Thomas, Ystradgynlais.	From Caerbont Corner and left of Brecon Road (going Southwards) and all area below the Clinic, including Cwmgiedd, Cwmtawe Road. Ynis Isaf, Ynis Uchaf Cwmtwrch, Gurnos, Cynlais, and Ynis-cedwyn.
Mrs. C. M. Bowen, Hay-on-Wye.	Hay Urban and Part of Hay Rural, Llanigon, Tregoyd and Velindre, Pipton Aberllynfi, Llanfillo, Talgarth, Bronllys and Llanelieu.
Miss E. G. Jones, (Seconded for further training).	Llanwrtyd, Llanwrtyd Without, Llandulas, Llandewi-Abergwesyn, Penbuallt, Treflis, Llangammarch, Gwarafog, Llanfihangel-Abergwesyn, Llanlleonfel, Llanafanfawr, Llanafanfechan.
Miss M. Chamberlain	Brecon Urban (excluding Llanfaes, Dering Lines and Dorlangoch).
Miss G. L. Ward.	St. David's Within, St. David's Without, Aberyscir, Cantref, Maescar (Defynnog), Llanspyddid, Penpont, Modrydd, Glyn, Sennybridge, Llanfihangel - Nantbran. Cray, Llandilorfan, Traianglas, Traianmawr, Trallong, Senny, Ysclydach.
Miss M. L. Evans, 28, Penpentre, Talybont-on-Usk. (Tele.—Talybont-on-Usk 265).	Talybont, Llanfrynach, Aber, Pencelly, Cross Oak, Llanfeigan, Cantref (Part), Llandetty, Llangynidr, Duffryn Crawnon. Aberyscir, Battle, Castlemadoc, Cradoc, Merthyr Cynog, Llanddew, Llandefaelog, Pontfaen, Fennyfach, Lower Chapel, Upper Chapel, Garthbrengy, Cathedine, Bwlch, Part of Llanfihangel Cwmdu, Llangasty-Talyllyn, Llangorse, Llan-Talyllyn, Llanhamlach, Llanwern, Llechfaen, Scethrog, Llansantffraed, Pennorth, Groesffordd.
Miss M. Wyatt, Builth Wells.	Builth Urban, Llandewir Cwm, Llanganten, Llangynog, Llanynis, Cilmery, Rhosferig. Maesmynis, Alltmawr, Crickadarn, Gwenddwr, Llandefalle, Talachddu, Pontybat, Felinfach, Llyswen.

District Nurse/Midwife/Health Visitor.

Mrs. I. M. Williams, 42, Lansbury Road, Brynmawr. (Tele.—Brynmawr 367).	**General Nursing, Midwifery and Health Visiting:** Darenfelen, Llanelly Hill. **General Nursing and Midwifery:** Brynmawr (West).

District Nurse/Midwives.

VACANCY	Talgarth, Bronllys, Pengenffordd. Pontybat, Llanfillo, Llandefalle, Colebrook, Trefecca, Trefeinon, Llanelieu.
Mrs. G. Jones, Glanavon, Castle St., Builth Wells. (Tele.—Builth Wells 2165).	Builth Wells, Llandewi'r Cwm, Llanganten, Llangynog, Llanynis, Maesmynis, Rhosferig, Alltmawr, Cilmery.

District Nurses/Midwives (Continued).—	Area Covered.
Mrs. A. Messer, Applegarth, Erwood, Builth Wells. (Tele.—Erwood 214).	Llyswen, Crickadarn, Gwenddwr, Erwood Llaneglwys.
Mrs. S. Marsh, 4, The Walk, Beulah (Tele. Llangammarch 667).	Llanwrtyd, Llandulas, Llandewi-Abergwessin, Penbuallt, Treflis, Llangammarch Gwarafog, Garth, Llwynmadoc, Llanafanfawr, Llanlleonfel, Llanfihangel-Abergwessin, Beulah, Llanafanfechan.
Mrs. J. M. Lode, Bronllynfi, Glasbury (Tel. Glasbury 242).	Llanigon, Glasbury, Velindre, Three Cocks, Pipton, Tregoyd, Pontithel, Hay Rural (Part), Aberllynfi.
Miss E. T. Thomas, 18, Plasderwen, Llangattock, Crickhowell. (Tel. Crickhowell 83).	Llangattock, Llanbedr, Llangenny, Cwmdu (Part), Tretower, Grwynefechan, Partrishow, Llangrwyney, Forest Coalpit (Part). Crickhowell.
Mrs. M. Sier, 2, Crabtree Walk, Trefechan, Cefn Coed, Nr. Merthyr Tydfil. (Tele.—Merthyr Tydfil 852).	Cefn Coed, Gelly, Pontsticill, Dolygaer. Pontsarn.
Miss G. James, 35 (c) High St. Superior, Brecon. (Tel. Brecon 2728).	Brecon Urban (St. John), Battle, Llandefaelog, Merthyr Cynog, Pontfaen, Llanfihangel - Fechan, Lower Chapel, Upper Chapel, Llanddew, Fennyfach,
Miss E. P. Stoddart, (Resigned), 1, Elm Grove, Hirwaun.	Hirwaun (Breconshire Part), Penderyn, Ystradfellte, Pontneathvaughan.
Miss A. E. Williams, Tyclyd, Sennybridge (Tele.—Sennybridge 347).	Sennybridge, Defynnog, Pentrefelin, Cray, Llanfihangel - Nant - Bran, Llandilofane Traianglas, Traianmawr, Ciliene, Trecastle, Ysclydach, Aberpedwar, Trallong, Aberbran, Senny.
Mrs. Dulcie Lewis, 18, Brynawelon, Colbren. (Tele.—Seven Sisters 292).	Colbren, Penwyllt, Onllwyn, Seven Sisters (Part). Abercrave, Penycae, Caehopkin, Glyntawe.
Mrs. M. E. Jackson, 22, Maes-y-felin, Llangorse, Brecon. (Tele.—Llangorse 281).	Cathedine, Bwlch, Part of Cwmdu, Llangorse, Llanfihangel - Talyllyn, Llangasty-Talyllyn, Llanwern, Llechfaen, Scethrog Llanhamlach, Llansantfraed, Pennorth, Llangynidr.
VACANCY	Ystradgynlais and Cwmtwrch.
Mrs. I. M. Jenkins, 12, Bank Crescent, Gilwern. (Tele. Gilwern 242).	Llanelly (Clydach), Llanelly (Darenfelen).

District Nurses/Midwives (Continued).—	Area Covered.
Mrs. E. M. Hughes, 2, Ffynon Dewi, Llanfaes, Brecon. (Tel. Brecon 3405).	Brecon (St. David's Within), Brecon (St. David's Without), Aberyscir, Cantref, Maescar, Llanspyddid, Penpont, Modrydd, Glyn.
Mrs. R. E. Panas, 5, Y Scethrog, Nr. Brecon. (Tel. Talybont 282)	Brecon (St. Mary), Llanfrynach, Llanfigan and Llandetty.
District Midwives.	
Mrs. J. Price, Glanrhyd Farm, Glanrhyd, Ystradgynlais. (Tele.—Glantawe 3167).	Cwmtwrch, Ystradgynlais.
Mrs. I. E. Chilton, Colindale Bungalow, Brynmawr (Tele.—Brynmawr 330)	Brynmawr (East).
District Nurses.	
Nurse S. E. H. Paige, 30, Heolmeurig, Lower Cwmtwrch. (Tele.—Glantawe 3294).	Ystradgynlais.
Nurse C. Hughes, 63, Garn Road, Nantyglo, Mon. (Tele.—Brynmawr 296).	Brynmawr Urban.
Nurse G. M. Llewelyn, 8, Heol Maesydre, Ystradgynlais. (Tele. Glantawe 3370).	Ystradgynlais.
Nurse V. H. James, 6 Caerlan, Abercrave. (Tel. Abercrave 678).	Abercrave.
Relief Nurses/Midwives.	
Miss M. M. Jones, 22, High Street, Builth Wells. (Tele.—Builth Wells 3121).	Relief Nurse.
Mrs E. Powell, Bryngias, Brecon Road, Abercrave. (Tele.—Abercrave 252).	Relief Nurse, South Western Area: Ystradgynlais, etc.
VACANCY.	Relief Nurse, Brecon
Mrs. M. D. Jones, 5, John Street, Hirwaun. (Tel. Hirwaun 279).	Relief Nurse, Southern: Cefn, Vaynor and Hirwaun.
ORTHOPAEDIC.	
Orthopaedic Nurse.	Mrs. J. S. Jones.
SPEECH THERAPIST.	Miss G. A. Samuel, L.C.S.T. (Resigned).
DOMESTIC HELP.	
Supervisor	Mrs. F. J McLean.

CHIROPODY.

Chiropodists	Mr. C. G. Morrish, M.Ch.S. (Registered Medical Auxiliary).
	Mrs. M. A. Llewellyn (Part Time), 36, Gough Road, Ystalyfera, Glam., M.Ch.S. (Registered Medical Auxiliary).

MENTAL WELFARE.

Psychiatric Social Worker.	Miss Gwen Morgan (Part Time) (Border Hospital Management Committee).
Mental Welfare Officers	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, The Watton, Brecon (Tele. Brecon 2040).
	Mr. T. V. Rees, Welfare Office, Lower Bailey St., Brynmawr (Tele. Brynmawr 254).
	Mr. D. J. Davies, c/o Mason's Arms, Talgarth. (Tele. Talgarth 50).
	Mrs. M. M. R. England, 3, Monumental Terrace, Cefn Coed, Nr. Merthyr Tydfil (Tele. Merthyr Tydfil 386).
	Mr. Wm. T. Davies, Peglers Buildings, Ystradgynlais (Tele. Glantawe 3104)
	Mr. R. I. Jones, Y Nyth, Llanfihangel-Talyllyn, Nr. Brecon. (Tele. Llangorse 287).

HOME TEACHERS FOR MENTALLY HANDICAPPED

(Temporary Appointments).	Miss C. Powney, Dip., N.A.M.H., 2 High St., Talgarth (Resigned)
	Miss C. Bann, Dip., N.A.M.H., 2 Hawthorne Lane, Trefechan.

ADMINISTRATIVE AND CLERICAL

Chief Clerk and M.W.O	Mr. R. I. Jones
Senior Clerk.	Mr. R. E. Page
Domestic Help and Ambulance.	Mr. I. Lewis
School Medical Service.	Mr. T. Jones
Nursery Services.	Mrs. Margaret Powell
Welfare Foods Clerk.	Mr. D W. Foster.

CONSULTANT STAFF OF THE WELSH HOSPITAL BOARD WHO PROVIDE SPECIALIST SERVICES FOR THE COUNTY COUNCIL

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	L Erin, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
	R. G. Prosser Evans, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
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	M. I. Jackson, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P.
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Psychiatry.	G. Diggle, M.B., Ch.B., M.R.C.P. (Edin.) D.P.M.
	Michael Craft, M.D., M.R.C.P.(E.), D.P.M.
	J. McDonald, M.A., M.B., Ch.B., D.P.M
Geriatic.	F. L. Willington, B.Ch., M.D.

MEDICAL OFFICERS OF HEALTH IN THE COUNTY.

Brecon Urban; and Rural: Builth Urban; and Rural: Hay Urban; and Rural: Llanwrtyd Wells Urban:	Dr. T. C. R. George, M.R.C.S., L.R.C.P., D.P.H. Guild Hall, Brecon (Tel. Brecon 2884)
Brynmawr Urban: Crickhowell Rural: Vaynor and Penderyn Rural: Ystradgynlais Rural:	Dr. Creighton E. Edwards, B.Sc., M.B., B.Ch., D.P.H. (Tel. Brecon 2867)

PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTORS IN THE COUNTY.

Brecon Urban: (Tele.—Brecon 2126).	Mr. S. Jinks, C.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., Municipal Offices, Steeple Lane, Brecon.
Brynmawr Urban: (Tele.—Brynmawr 568).	Vacany.
Builth Wells Urban: (Tele.—Builth Wells 3214).	Mr. J. E. Morgan, M.R.S.H. Clovelly, Garth Road, Builth Wells
Hay Urban: (Tele.—Hay 79).	Mr. W. D. Morgans, C.R.S.H. Council Offices, Belle Vue, Hay-on-Wye.
Llanwrtyd Wells Urban: (Tele.—Builth Wells 2168).	Mr. J. C. Bowen, M.R.S.H., War Memorial Institute, Llanwrtyd.
Brecon Rural: (Tele.—Brecon 2201).	Mr. W. J. Rees, M.R.S.H., M.R.I.P.H.H., M.A.P.H.I., Oxford House, The Watton, Brecon.
Builth Rural: (Tele.—Builth Wells 2168).	Mr. J. C. Bowen, M.R.S.H., Wyeside, Castle Street, Builth Wells.
Crickhowell Rural: (Tele.—Crickhowell 292).	Mr. R. A. Jackson, M.A.P.H.I., M.R.S.H., Rural District Council Offices, Crickhowell.
Hay Rural: (Tele. Hay 379).	Mr. W. D. Morgans, C.R.S.H., Council Offices, Belle Vue, Hay-on-Wye.
Vaynor and Penderyn Rural: (Tele.—Merthyr Tydfil 3466).	Mr. S. P. Harris, M.A.P.H.I., A.R.S.H., 47a, High Street, Bank Chambers, Merthyr, Tydfil.
Ystradgynlais Rural: (Tele.—Glantawe 3281).	Mr. W. Emlyn Jones, M.R.S.H., M.A.P.H.I., Council Offices, Ystradgynlais.

GENERAL STATISTICS.

Area (Square miles)	...	733
Area (Acres)	...	469,285
Population (1931 Census)	...	57,775
,, (1939 Census)	...	54,357
,, (1951 Census)	...	56,508
,, (1961 Census)	...	55,544
,, estimated to Middle of 1965	...	54,460
Rateable Value (1st April. 1965)	...	£1,308,044
Sum represented by 1d. rate, 1964/65	...	£5,000

VITAL STATISTICS.

Live Births	...	865
Live birth rate per 1,000 population	...	15.88
Illegitimate Live Births (percentage of total Live Births)	...	6.12%
Stillbirths	...	20
Stillbirth rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	...	22.59
Total Live and Stillbirths	...	885
Infant deaths (under 1 year)	...	17
Infant Mortality Rates.—		
Total infant deaths per 1,000 total live births	...	19.65
Legitimate infant deaths per 1,000 legitimate live births	...	19.70
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1,000 illegitimate live births	...	18.86
Neo-natal mortality rate per 1,000 live births (first four weeks)	...	12.71
Early Neo-natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1,000 total live births)	...	11.56
Peri-natal Mortality Rate (stillbirths and deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total live and still births)	...	33.89
Maternal deaths (including abortion)	...	Nil
Maternal mortality rate per 1,000 live and stillbirths	...	Nil

NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

Section 21.—Health Centres: No action has been taken during the year regarding the provision of Health Centres.

Section 22. — Care of Mothers and Young Children: This Section covers the following activities: — (a) Ante-natal clinics, (b) Post-natal clinics, (c) Child welfare clinics, (d) Day nurseries and residential nurseries, (e) Mother and baby homes, (f) Dental treatment given to expectant or nursing mothers, and children under 5 years of age, (g) care of premature infants,

(h) Ophthalmia Neonatorum, and Maternal Deaths, etc., and replaces the old heading of Maternity and Child Welfare.

Information and figures relating to the various sections are given below:—

Care of Premature Infants, i.e., babies weighing 5½ lbs. or less at birth irrespective of period of gestation:—

Special equipment for the domiciliary nursing of premature infants is held at the offices of the local health authority, and special heated incubators are provided for transporting premature babies to hospitals (see Ambulance Service).

If found necessary to admit such infants to hospitals, the local hospital authority would be approached by the nurse or mid-wife and the greatest possible assistance is always given in arranging accommodation.

During 1965 the number of notifications of premature births in the County after correction, was as follows—

(1) **Premature Live Births.**

(a)	Total Number of Premature Live Births in the Area	52
(b)	Number of Premature Live Births at Home ...	3
*(c)	Number of Premature Live Births in Private Nursing Homes ...	—
(d)	Number of Premature Live Births in Hospital ...	49

(2) **Premature Still Births.**

(a)	Total number of Premature Still Births in the Area	12
(b)	Number of Premature Still Births at Home ...	—
*(c)	Number of Premature Still Births in Private Nursing Homes ...	—
(d)	Number of Still Births in Hospitals ...	12

*Including Maternity Homes not in the National Health Services and Mother and Baby Homes where the women are confined in the Homes.

During the year all cases of premature births have again been followed up, including those delivered in hospitals, which has necessitated the interchange of records between Local Health Authorities. The co-operation of the hospitals has been freely given and the information required is readily provided by them.

Table VIII appended to this report shows the weight of the infants at birth and the number of infants who survived 28 days.

Complicated Maternity Cases.

The investigation of cases for hospital confinements is undertaken by the department. Such cases are brought to the notice of the authority in four ways:— (1) the general practitioner, (2) the Clinic Medical Officer, (3) the midwife, or (4) the patient herself.

In each individual case, a report is then obtained on the housing conditions (or other social defects) and consideration is given to the question of whether hospital accommodation is required. Where the request for a hospital confinement is based solely on lack of assistance, this is in some cases overcome by the provision of domestic help, though the extent to which this help can be given depends on the domestic helps available and the accessibility of the home. Having decided that the case requires accommodation in hospital, a request is then made to the most convenient hospital to book for accommodation.

Three hospitals in Breconshire admit maternity cases:—

Brecon War Memorial Hospital ...	6 beds
Crickhowell War Memorial Hospital ...	7 beds
Builth Cottage Hospital ...	3 beds

In addition, accommodation is provided for Breconshire cases at the following hospitals outside the county borders:—

Hereford County Hospital
Blaina and District Hospital
St. James Hospital, Tredegar
Gwaunfarren Maternity Home, Merthyr Tydfil
St. Tydfil's Hospital, Merthyr Tydfil
Neath General Hospital
Abergavenny Cottage Hospital (occasionally)
Llandrindod County Hospital (occasionally)
Aberdare General Hospital
Amman Valley Hospital
Morriston Hospital
Griffithstown Hospital
Rookery, Ebbw Vale.

The number of births in the County decreased slightly during the year, although the number of hospital deliveries rose. The percentages of hospital confinements for the total births has risen by 3.5%.

The percentage of births taken in hospitals was 86.6% for the year 1965.

The figures for the past years are as follows:—

	Total Births in County	No. of Births in Hospital	Percentage of Births in Hospital
1956 ...	843	544	64.5%
1957 ...	843	573	67.9%
1958 ...	832	585	70.3%
1959 ...	857	617	71.9%
1960 ...	831	631	75.9%
1961 ...	831	620	74.6%
1962 ...	849	648	76.3%
1963 ...	912	737	80.8%
1964 ...	868	722	83.1%
1965 ...	859	744	86.6%

The following cases were admitted to hospital at the request of the Health Department on account of bad housing, bad home conditions, or for medical reasons.

Neath General 1; St Tydfil's (Merthyr Tydfil), 1; Amman Valley, 20; Morriston Hospital, 5; Lady Aberdare Maternity Home. 2; Aberdare General Hospital, 1; Hereford County Hospital, 1; St. James, Tredegar 1.

Child Welfare Centres.

Child Welfare Centres are held throughout the County at the following places and at the times shown:—

Centre and Place of Meeting.	Day and Time of Meeting.
1 Abercrave—Miners' Welfare Hall..	2nd and 4th Wednesdays in Month at 2 p.m.
2 Brecon—Clinic, Watton Offices ..	3rd Friday in month at 2 p.m.
3 Brynmawr—School Clinlc ..	1st Wednesday in month at 2 p.m. (Doctors' Session). 3rd Wednesday in month at 2 p.m. (Nurses' Session).
4 Builth Wells—Clinic, Park Road..	1st Tuesday in month at 2 p.m.
5 Cefn Coed—School Clinic ..	2nd and 4th Mondays in month at 2 p.m.
6 Colbren—Church Hall ..	3rd Monday in month at 2 p.m.
7 Crickhowell—Market Hall Clinic..	4th Thursday in month a.m. and p.m.
8 Cwmtwrch—Miners' Welfare Hall	2nd and 4th Thursdays in month at 2 p.m.
9 Devynnog—Market Hall, Sennybridge ..	3rd Tuesday in month at 2 p.m.
10 Gilwern—Church Hall ..	2nd and 4th Wednesdays in month at 2 p.m.
11 Hay—Clinic, Oxford Road ..	2nd Thursday in month at 10 a.m.
12 Hirwaun—Bethel Church Vestry..	Wednesday fortnightly.
13 Llanwrtyd Wells—War Memorial Institute ..	1st Friday in month at 2 p.m.
14 Talgarth—Town Hall ..	4th Tuesday in month at 2 p.m.
15 Ystradgynlais—School Clinic .	1st and 3rd Thursday in month at 2 p.m.
16 Tirabad—Clinic ..	4th Friday in month at 2 p.m.
17 Llangammarch Wells — Church Institute ..	3rd Friday ln month at 2 p.m.
18 Cwrt - y - Gollen Camp, Crickhowell ..	1st Wednesday in month at 2 p.m.

When necessary, cases are referred to their own doctors or to Hospital for treatment or consultation.

The clinic held fortnightly at the Bethel Church Vestry, Hirwaun, is organised by the Glamorgan County Council, and mothers from the Vaynor and Penderyn district of Breconshire are catered for by arrangement with Glamorgan. Breconshire pays a proportionate cost of this clinic based on the population of the area covered and a Breconshire Health Visitor attends regularly.

Ante-Natal Clinics.

Facilities for ante-natal examinations are provided by the local health authority. These clinics are held at the times and places stated:—

Abercrave: 2nd Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Brynmawr: 1st Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Ystradgynlais: 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

*Brecon: 3rd Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

Hirwaun: Bethel Church Vestry, fortnightly, Wednesdays, 9.30 a.m.

*Builth: 2nd Monday, 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

A Medical Officer attends at Abercrave, Ystradgynlais, Brynmawr, and Hirwaun, but the attendance at the clinics marked * no longer justifies their continuance and a doctor, although not attending is available as required.

These clinics are held in:— One Welfare Hall and one Church Vestry, which are hired premises, and four permanent clinic premises which are owned by the Education Authority and/or the Local Health Authority.

The clinic at Hirwaun is held fortnightly by the Glamorgan County Council and persons from the Hirwaun and Penderyn portion of Breconshire attend under a joint arrangement between the two authorities.

As a result of discussions between the Local Health Authority and the Local Medical Committee, reports are sent to the General Practitioners in respect of their patients in attendance at the Ante-Natal Clinics.

Post-Natal Clinics.

There are no specially held post-natal clinics—all patients attend the ante-natal sessions.

Specialist Clinics.

There are no specialist clinics held under the auspices of the local health authority.

Assistance given at Clinics in General Practitioners' own Premises.

Assistance at one General Medical Practitioner's Surgery is now given by a midwife in the Sennybridge area. This arrangement was reached after the closure of the Council's Ante-Natal Clinic in Sennybridge (Defynnog) some years ago.

Blood Testing.

Arrangements are made for collecting blood specimens at the clinics and these are sent to the National Blood Transfusion Laboratory at Cardiff, and elsewhere.

The findings are in all cases reported to the patients' General Medical Practitioners.

A special session is held at the Ystradgynlais Clinic on the 4th Tuesday of each month, for collecting blood specimens.

Liaison Committee.

During the year Liaison Committees were held at various hospitals situated within the County and at hospitals having a catchment area for Breconshire. Such committees are attended by the General Medical Practitioners, Local Health Authority Staff and the Staff of Hospitals.

These committees are covered by the:

Glantawe H.M.C.

Brecon and Radnor H.M.C

North Monmouthshire H.M.C.

The Personal Maternity Record card is still proving useful to the General Medical Practitioner, the hospital medical and nursing staff, and the domiciliary midwives.

Institutional Provision for Unmarried Mothers, Illegitimate Infants, and Homeless Children in the District—

Arrangements are made with the Swansea and Brecon Moral Welfare Association to carry out this work, the Health Authority being responsible for the maintenance of the mother for approximately one month before the confinement and for a period of 14 days after birth. Maintenance after this date becomes the responsibility of the Welfare Committee. A grant of £100 p.a. is also given to the Association.

During the year arrangements were made for the accommodation of three mothers at the Church Home, Penarth, Cardiff; one mother at the Mother of Baby Home, Canton, Cardiff; and two mothers at the Northlands Salvation Army Home, Cardiff.

Family Planning Clinics.

The Family Planning Association continues to hold Family Planning Clinics in Breconshire, in clinics provided free of charge for this purpose.

The clinics are now held at:—

Brecon: The Clinic, Watton Offices, Brecon.
1st and 3rd Fridays in each month from 5.45 to 7 p.m.

Builth: The Clinic, Park Road, Builth Wells.
2nd and 4th Mondays in each month from 2.30 to 4 p.m.

Ystradgynlais: The Clinic, Derwen Rd., Ystradgynlais.
1st and 4th Thursdays each month 6 p.m.

Brynmawr: The Clinic, Lower Bailey Street, Brynmawr.
1st and 2nd Tuesdays each month 6 p.m.

Relaxation Exercises and Mothercraft Training Clinics.

Relaxation classes and Mothercraft Clinics are held at fixed centres in the County. These meet weekly as follows:—

Brecon Clinic	...	Every Thursday.
Ystradgynlais Clinic	...	Every Tuesday.
Brynmawr Clinic	...	Every Thursday.
Builth Wells Clinic	...	Every Thursday.
Tirabad Clinic	...	Every Thursday.
Hay-on-Wye Clinic	...	Every Friday.

Maternity Outfits.

Maternity outfits are distributed free of charge to expectant mothers by the midwives who are booked for the cases. The outfit provided is a standard sterilised pack.

Necessary items required for the lying in, which are not included in the maternity outfit, are provided by the midwife attending the case.

Day Nurseries, Hospitals for Children, and Mother and Baby Homes.

There are none in the County. The Education Committee has one Nursery School at Brynmawr.

Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

Number of cases in 1965 in which

(a) vision was unimpaired		Nil
(b) vision impaired	...	Nil
(c) vision lost	...	Nil
(d) patient died	...	Nil
(e) patient still under treatment at end of year	...	Nil
(f) patient removed from district	...	Nil
(g) classification under above heads cannot be made	...	Nil

Maternal Deaths.

There were no deaths of mothers during the year.

Supply of Dried Milk.

The supply of proprietary brands of dried milk is not undertaken at the clinics. The demand for the various brands is so small, stocks would deteriorate before being used. In parts of the County there is a system whereby cheap Cow and Gate or Ostermilk can be bought from local chemist's shops. This scheme is dependent on the readiness of the local chemists to stock the brand of milk. Many chemists consider that the demand is so small that they do not feel it justifies them taking part in any scheme,

This question is, of course, always under review, together with the possibility of providing other medicaments at Clinics.

Distribution of Welfare Foods.

Formal approval was given by the Welsh Board of Health to the Council's Scheme for the distribution of Welfare Foods on the 8th November, 1954, and the scheme continues to function with 6 main Distribution Centres and 24 voluntary distributors from shops and private dwellings.

The main centres are manned by an officer engaged for this purpose.

The sales of welfare foods has decreased considerably, as is the general pattern. Accordingly the times when supplies could be obtained from the main clinics were reduced during the year. The officer responsible for the distribution now only works half time.

These main centres are as follows, and open on the days and times stated.

District.	Address of Centre.	Day.	Times.
Builth Wells ..	The Clinic, Park Road, Builth Wells	Monday	11 a.m. - 12 noon.
Brynmawr ..	The Clinic, Bailey Street, Brynmawr	Tuesday	11 a.m. - 12 noon.
Ystradgynlais ..	The Clinic, Derwen Road, Ystradgynlais	Wednesday	10 a.m. - 12 noon.
Crickhowell ..	The Clinic, Market Hall, Crickhowell	Thursday	11 a.m. - 12 noon.
Brecon ..	Health Dept., Watton Offices, Brecon	Friday	10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Mr. E. R. Morgan, Pentwyn, Gilwern, continues to give his services free and delivers Welfare Foods to these voluntary distributors from the main centre at Crickhowell. Much useful work is done by Mr. Morgan in assisting the small shopkeepers to check stores and complete their returns. For this service Mr. Morgan is merely re-imbursed for mileage covered in his car.

Delivery of Welfare Foods is made to Llanwrtyd Wells on Monday afternoons, as necessary, by the Welfare Foods Officer from Builth Wells. Mrs. Peace, of Campsie, Llanwrtyd Wells thereafter distributes the National Dried Milk, etc., to various points in the area such as Tirabad, Beulah and Llangammarch. For undertaking this service she is re-imbursed for mileage similar to Mr. E. R. Morgan, of Gilwern, and paid a small sum for storage.

Again I offer my thanks to both these volunteers, and to all the voluntary distributors who have distributed milk from their homes, shops, or centres provided by the County Council. Their help has permitted us to continue to run this scheme so smoothly.

The distribution of Welfare Foods at Sennybridge is still undertaken on behalf of the Breconshire County Council by volunteers of the St. John's Ambulance Association, from the Market Hall, Sennybridge.

The amount of Welfare Foods distributed is not large and has dropped this year again, however, as stated previously, the nature of the County makes it necessary that some centres issuing small amounts must remain open to provide the necessary service although it is anticipated that the service will be restricted in 1966.

The following items were issued during 1965:—

National Dried Milk	...	12,368
Orange Juice	...	6,352
Cod Liver Oil	...	520
Vitamin Tablets 'A' and 'D'	...	338

The following list gives the names and addresses of the volunteers who distributed National Dried Milk, etc., as at 31st December, 1965.

Names and Addresses of persons supplying Welfare Foods.	Times when available
Miss M. Davies, National School House, Trecastle	.. When at home.
St. Johns' Members, Market Hall, Sennybridge	.. Wednesday. 10 a.m. to 12 noon 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.
Mr. W. Jones, Beacon Stores, Brynmawr	.. Shop hours.
Mr. G. Watkins, Holland Stores, 221, King Street, Brynmawr	.. Shop hours.
Mrs. A. M. Davies, 75, Yniswen, Penycae	.. Daily — No time specified.
M. Powell, Post Office, Cwmgiedd, Ystradgynlais	.. Daily — 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.
Mrs. B. Lewis, 50, Brynawelon, Colbren	Daily — No time specified.

Names and Addresses of persons supplying Welfare Foods.	Times when available
Mr. D. Watkins, Talybont-on-Usk ..	Shop hours.
Mr. E. Williams, Lydenburg Stores, Talybont ..	Shop hours.
Mrs. S. Pope, General Stores, Bwlch..	Daily — Shop hours.
Cwrt-y-Gollen Camp, Crickhowell ..	Daily (no time stated).
Mrs. C. Hamer, Cwmdu ..	Daily — No time specified.
Mrs. P. Morris, Main Road, Gilwern..	Daily — Shop hours.
Mr. J. Williams, Chapel House, Clydach	Daily — Shop hours.
Mrs. J. Eynon, Llewellyn Row, Llanelly Hill ..	Daily — Shop hours.
Mrs. Peace, Campsie, Llanwrtyd Wells	When at home.
Mr. A .Price, Grocer, Heolydwr, Hay-on-Wye ..	Shop hours.
Evans Stores, Talgarth ..	Shop hours.
Mrs. Jeffs, 3, Groveside, Glasbury ..	When at home (O.J. and C.L.O. only).
Mrs. L. J. Davies, Cartrefle, Llan-Talyllyn ..	Daily — No time specified.
Mrs. Richards, Lamb Inn, Penderyn ..	When at home
Mrs. James, 98, High Street, Cefn Coed	Shop hours.
Mr. D. Downey, General Stores Brynmawr	Shop hours.
Mr. W. H. Millichap, 38 Orchard St., Llanfaes, Brecon ..	Shop hours.
Mr. Gates, Camden Stores, Dorlangoch, Brecon ..	Shop hours.

Dental Care of Mothers and Young Children—1965

Dental treatment is provided for expectant and nursing mothers and young children under 5 years by the School Dental Officers at the following clinics:—

Brecon, Brynmawr, Builth Wells, Cefn Coed, Crickhowell, Hay-on-Wye Tirabad and Ystradgynlais.

Better facilities for treatment are now available at Brynmawr and Ystradgynlais as a result of the installation of new equipment including a dental unit, operating light, X-ray etc.

27 mothers were examined during the year and 22 commenced treatment, 15 courses of treatment were completed.

54 children under 5 years and not eligible for the school dental service were examined, 35 being treated and 19 courses of treatment were completed.

In addition to the detailed figures shown in Table VII, one denture was repaired.

Section 23 — Midwifery Services.

Under the provisions of Section 23 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, the local health authority fulfilled its

obligations by covering its area with a sufficient number of qualified midwives to meet the needs thereof. The Authority had in its employ on the 31st December, 1965, 1 whole-time and 21 part-time midwives, giving an equivalent whole-time staff of 8.5 midwives available to attend upon women being confined in their own homes. In addition to these there were 18 hospital midwives practising in the County on the 31st December 1965.

One Superintendent Nursing Officer is employed who is also the Non-Medical Supervisor of Midwives. Periodic inspections are made to the midwives employed by the local health authority, and supervision of Hospital Midwives is also carried out.

The midwifery work is mainly undertaken by District Nurse/Midwives and in 1 instance by a District Nurse/Midwives/Health Visitor. At present there are insufficient night calls to warrant a night rota system. In some areas, i.e., Ystradgynlais, Abercrave, Cefn Coed, Brecon and Builth Wells, there are whole time relief District Nurse/Midwives. Other areas are relieved by District Nurse/Midwives in adjoining areas.

Tables dealing with midwifery, notification of births, etc., are given below:—

Supervision of Midwives—

Fifty Midwives notified their intention to practice in the County, viz., 46 residents, 2 border midwives and 2 private midwives.

Of the above—

23 were resident in Institutions.
2 Radnorshire midwives functioning in Breconshire, by arrangement between the Authorities.
23 were employed by the Breconshire County Council.
2 were private midwives.

Ante-Natal Supervision by Midwives—

Domiciliary midwives undertake ante-natal supervision of their patients. This supervision is backed by a comprehensive service provided by the general practitioners, the local health authority at their ante-natal clinics, and the Hospital Service.

The domiciliary midwives work in close co-operation with the local general practitioners undertaking maternity medical services. They attend with their patients whenever required to do so, at the doctors' surgeries. Doctors are notified of births by the Public Health Department within a week of the notification of birth being received. This has been arranged at the request of the Local Medical Committee.

Notifications from Midwives during 1965—

157 Forms of sending for Medical Aid were received—146 for mothers and 11 for children.

An analysis of the causes for summoning medical aid is given below:—

For the Mother:—

Ruptured Perineum	...	65
Prolonged, obstructed or labour inertia	...	31
Ante or Post Partum Haemorrhage	...	6
Retained or adherent placenta or membranes		4
Phlebitis of Leg	...	2
Postmaturity	...	1
Stillbirth	...	4
Unbooked patient	...	1
High blood pressure	...	2
Malpresentation or Malposition	...	7
Premature labour	...	1
Sub-involution	...	1
Episiotomy	...	16
Twin delivery	...	1
Foetal distress	...	3
Premature birth	...	1

For the Child:—

Jaundice	...	2
Unsatisfactory condition	...	1
Blue Asphyxia	...	2
White Asphyxia	...	1
Vomiting	...	1
Prematurity	...	1
Hypothermia	...	1
Haemorrhage from Cord	...	1
Suspected Pemphigus Neonaturum	...	1

In some cases, one Medical Aid Form was used for several different causes.

Fees of Doctors called in under Midwives Act, 1918—Section 14 and N.H.S. (Amendment) Act, 1949, Section 29 (2).

No. of cases in which General Practitioners claimed payment in respect of Medical Aid Forms		3
Total Amount of Claims paid	...	£4 16s. 6d.

Breaches of Central Midwives Board Rules.

No breaches of the rules occurred in the year.

Administration of Analgesics.

22 Midwives employed by the local health authority are qualified to administer gas and air analgesia to patients under their care. The authority has supplied apparatus to all these midwives.

1. Number of midwives in practice in the area, including private and hospital nurses qualified to administer analgesics, in accordance with the requirements of the Central Midwives Board:—

(a) Domiciliary	...	22
(b) In Institutions	...	18
Total	...	40

2. Number of cases in which analgesics were administered by midwives in domiciliary practice during the year—

(a) Gas and Air	...	87
(b) Trilene	...	1

3. Number of midwives trained in the year ... —

4. Total number of sets of Minnitts Gas and Air Apparatus supplied by the Council ... 22

5. Number of cases in which Pethilorfan was administered by Midwives in Domiciliary practice during the year ... 11

Refresher Courses for Midwives.

There are no facilities for holding refresher courses for midwives within the County.

During the year 5 midwives attended refresher courses at Bradford, Bristol, Birmingham and Kingston-upon-Hull and two midwives attended a special course on Mothercraft Group Teaching and Relaxation.

All midwives employed by the Authority comply with the "Midwives Rules Approval Instrument No. 1955," having attended refresher courses within the prescribed time limits

Training of Pupil Midwives.

No facilities exist for the actual training of pupil midwives within the County.

The cost of training midwives is, of course, a pool arrangement and Breconshire contributes to the Central Midwives Board, the amount levied for this purpose.

Notification of Births.

The following notifications of births were received during the year:— Live Births 510; Still Births 8; making a total of 518.

These births were attended by:—

District Nurse Midwives: County	...	115
Hospital and Institutional Midwives	...	403

Number of Births notified in the Authority's Area during 1965 under Section 203 of the Public Health Act, 1936, as adjusted by any transferred notifications:—

(a) Live Births 840; (b) Still Births 19; (c) Total 859.

Section 24—Health Visiting.

The health visiting staff consists of 1 Superintendent Nursing Officer and 12 part-time health visitors, who also act as school nurses and/or district nurses 1 of these nurses performs duties of a Health Visitor under dispensation by the Minister of Health.

The Health Visitors visit monthly, children under one year of age and thereafter at three-monthly intervals those between one and five years, although the two year olds are visited more frequently.

In addition to health visiting of expectant mothers and nursing mothers of young children, the health visiting staff works in close co-operation with the hospitals. When notices of discharges are received from the hospitals these are forwarded to the appropriate health visitors for the area, giving the diagnosis treatment and recommendation as to further treatment.

The County Council offers allowances of 75% of the minimum salary of Health Visitor, for the duration of the course to suitably qualified persons who are prepared to train for the Health Visitor's Certificate, plus the usual allowance made by the Breconshire County Council in respect of uniform and laundry, as well as reasonable travelling expenses, tuition and examination fees incurred in pursuing the training course approved by the County Council.

Training of Health Visitors is now subject to financial pooling arrangements, somewhat similar to Midwives Training. The expenditure of the Authority will be adjusted by a further claim against them, or by re-imbursement of excess expenditure.

There are no facilities for the training of student health visitors within the County.

Particulars of the number of visits paid to mothers and babies are to be found in Table VI appended.

During the year 6 Health Visitors attended an inservice course arranged by Herefordshire County Council.

HEALTH EDUCATION

Ante Natal.

Classes continue to be run by Health Visitors and Midwives at six County Council Clinics. For further details of this one should refer to page 19 of this report under the heading of "Relaxation Exercise and Mothercraft Training Clinics."

Individual teaching is still being given by the Health Visitors at Infant Welfare Clinics.

Lung Cancer.

Health Education in relation to Lung Cancer is still mainly directed to the teenagers in schools. Posters, are freely displayed at all County Council Clinics and other premises, drawing the attention of members of the public to the dangers of smoking.

During the year the department's efforts in this direction was devoted to poster propaganda, as no visits were made to schools expressly for this purpose. Owing to other commitments it has not been possible to arrange such talks, lectures nor demonstrations.

During the year posters were received from the Cancer Information Centre, Cardiff, for distribution, and the film "Smoking and You" is available for free loan to Youth Clubs etc. The Authority has also purchased a 16 m.m. projector and all necessary equipment, so that arrangements can also be made to show Health Education films to those groups not possessing such equipment.

Section 25 — Home Nursing.

A whole-time nursing service is provided by the local health authority. The staff consists of 6 whole-time and 22 part-time nurses, giving an equivalent of 17.5 full-time nurses. The nurses in the various districts co-operate to the fullest extent, and work in conjunction with the general practitioners. The supervision of the nursing in the home is exercised by the Superintendent Nursing Officer. Liaison with the hospital and domiciliary nursing services does not generally exist in a direct nature. In the small hospitals within the County, the doctors at the hospitals are normally the general practitioners who are already in close contact

with the district nurses. In the case of the large base hospitals situated outside the county, the patient's doctor is aware of the requirements of discharged cases and he requests what attention is necessary. Also, as in the case of health visitors, hospitals contact the department when they require domiciliary nursing of any case being discharged.

Classification and Proportion of Main Types of Cases attended by Home Nurses.

During the year 1,895 patients were nursed in the homes and 45,613 visits were made.

These cases were classified as follows:—

	Patients	Visits.
Medical ...	1,215	40,169
Surgical ...	300	6,196
Infectous Diseases ...	1	23
Tuberculosis ...	31	584
Maternal Complication	9	85
Others ...	80	634

Further analysis of the above figures show that 676 patients were over 65 years of age, and 65 were under 5 years.

The average number of visits per case for all patients works out at 29.0 visits each.

Section 26 — Vaccination and Immunisation.

Under the provision of Section 26 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, arrangements are made for Smallpox vaccination and immunisation against diphtheria to be carried out by the general practitioners and at clinics by the local health authority's Medical Officers.

Health Visitors in their visits to the homes encourage the parents to avail themselves of the opportunity of having the children vaccinated against Smallpox.

Health Visitors also encourage the mothers to bring their children to the clinics for immunisation against diphtheria or take them to the general practitioner.

The following tables show the work carried out in the County during 1965.

(a) Vaccination—

Vaccination can be carried out by the family doctors at their surgeries at the request of the parents, and is also undertaken by the County Council Medical Staff. Practitioners who have expressed a wish to undertake this work are supplied with lymph free of charge on request to the appropriate Public Health Laboratory, and record cards are supplied from the Health Department on which to enter the necessary particulars, these cards being returned to the County Medical Officer for statistical purposes and for payment to the General Practitioner.

Vaccination is free of charge to the patient.

Figures of persons vaccinated each year from 1948 to 1965 are given below:—

Year.	Primary Vaccination.	Re-Vaccination.
1948	89	17
1949	112	16
1950	141	25
1951	215	69
1952	170	36
1953	191	30
1954	252	44
1955	160	40
1956	270	64
1957	252	40
1958	250	78
1959	343	86
1960	419	49
1961	333	85
1962	12,570	8,883
1963	152	81
1964	141	43
1965	242	54

Figures for persons vaccinated (or re-vaccinated) in 1965:—

Age at date of Vaccination	Under 1	1	2—4	5—15	Total
Number Vaccinated ...	10	188	31	13	242
Number Re-Vaccinated	—	1	3	50	54

(b) Diphtheria Immunisation—

Diphtheria Immunisation work is being carried out quite satisfactorily at the various Infant Welfare Centres, on school premises and clinics, and from the figures obtainable to the end of the year, there is no doubt that the scheme continues to work most efficiently. In addition, children are immunised by private practitioners at their surgeries, and record cards are provided by the Health Department Completed records are returned for statistical purposes.

Number of children immunised during the year 1965 by Officers of the Council and by General Practitioners.

Year of Birth.

	1965	1964	1963	1962	1958—61	Others under 16	Total
Primary doses ...	237	357	39	11	101	142	947
Re-inforcing doses...	1	179	302	29	621	713	1845

(c) Immunisation against Whooping Cough.

The immunisation against Whooping Cough, like other injections, can be given at the County Council Clinics and Schools or by the general medical practitioners at their own surgeries or in the homes.

The Council's Scheme for Vaccination and Immunisation Section 26, was extended in 1954 to include the inoculation of children against whooping cough.

Antigen is supplied to General Practitioners for the combined inoculation against Diphtheria-Pertussis, or a Whooping Cough vaccine itself.

(d) Tetanus.

A scheme for inoculation against tetanus was commenced in 1961 and has been in operation for close on four years. The injections are normally combined with injections for Diphtheria and Whooping Cough or Diphtheria only. Occasionally anti-tetanus injections are given alone when necessary.

(e) Poliomyelitis Vaccination.

The scheme for the vaccination of children and adults against poliomyelitis continued to work very smoothly throughout the year.

Sessions for vaccination were held during the day at School Clinics, or alternatively patients could be vaccinated by their own doctors.

The following information as at the end of 1965 will give some indication of the overall picture of persons vaccinated:—

	By Councils Medical Officers	By G.Ps.	Totals
Number of persons who had been given 2 injections of Salk Vaccine or 3 doses of Oral Vaccine up to the end of 1965 ...	16,720	8,239	24,959
Of the above number, the following persons had been given 3 injections of Salk Vaccine or 2 injections plus 1 Oral Dose up to the end of 1965 ...	13,997	6,575	20,572
Of the above number, the following persons had been given 4 injections or 3 injections plus 1 Oral Dose, up to the end of 1965 ...	5,742	2,446	8,188

Section 27. Ambulance Service—

From the 1st April, 1964, the Breconshire County Council took over the operational control of the Ambulance Service, and 1965 was thus the first full year for the operational control by the County Health Department.

Eight ambulances were used as operational vehicles with a reserve of three vehicles by the end of 1965.

The ambulance arrangements remain as follows, at Brecon, Builth, Crickhowell, Hay, Brynmawr and Ystradgynlais, since the Breconshire County Council has entered into agreement with garage owners to operate the scheme on similar lines to the garage arrangements previously made between the St. John's Association and the garages (excepting Ystradgynlais).

1. Brecon Ambulances.—Two ambulances cover Brecon Borough and the whole of Brecon Rural District.
2. Builth Ambulance covers Builth Urban, Llanwrtyd Urban, and Builth Rural District, with the exception of the parish of Llanwrthwl at the very north of the County. This ambulance will also, by arrangement with Radnorshire, in emergency cases only, continue to cover as heretofore a small area of the County adjoining Builth Urban, viz., the parishes of Llanelwedd, Llansantffraed-in-Elvel, Aberedw, Disserth, Rhulen, Llanbadarn-y-garreg, Llanfaredd and Cregrina, Glascwm and Colva. Radnorshire, on their part covers for us the three Breconshire parishes of Llysdinam, Llanfihangel Brynpabuan, and Llanwrthwl in the north of the County by their ambulance from Llandrindod Wells.
3. Hay Ambulance covers Hay Urban and Hay Rural Districts together with the Radnorshire District of Painscastle Rural and parishes of Newchurch and Michaelchurch-on-Arrow.
4 Crickhowell Ambulance covers the whole of the Crickhowell Rural District, other than Clydach and Darenfelen Areas.
5. Brynmawr Ambulance.—This ambulance covers Brynmawr, Clydach and Darenfelen.

6 Ystradgynlais Ambulances.—Two ambulances in this area are operated within the framework of the County Ambulance Service by full time personnel.

Apart from what has been mentioned above, in connection with Radnorshire, there are two areas of the County, both situated on the southern border, for which arrangements have been made for them to be covered by outside authorities as follow:—

(a) Vaynor and Penderyn Rural District, including the Brecon Rural appendage of Hepste. Glamorgan has undertaken to cover this area in their scheme by their ambulances stationed at Seven Sisters, Glynneath and Aberdare.

(b) The Village of Cefn Coed and the adjoining Parish of Vaynor (Pontsticill). The Borough of Merthyr Tydfil has undertaken to include this area in their ambulance scheme.

Since a considerable number of people live in the rural part of the Penderyn parish situated on the eastern border of this parish where it adjoins the parish of Vaynor but live within easy access of the main Brecon-Merthyr road, arrangements have been made that these people should be covered for ambulance purposes

by the Merthyr Borough, even though they actually live within part of the area for which Glamorgan has undertaken responsibility since it is much more easy to obtain ambulance transport from Merthyr and Merthyr General Hospital is the one to which they always go when in need.

The arrangements with the Border Counties have worked satisfactorily, and I think it can be reported again that the scheme is working very well.

A County Ambulance Transport Committee meets quarterly and includes representatives of the County Council, the Regional Hospital Board, and co-opted representatives of other interested bodies.

The provision of Radio Telephone for ambulances was again deferred during the year for a period. It is, however, understood that installation of radio telephone will be made in the near future.

Four portable oxygenaire baby incubators have been provided for use throughout the County for the transport of premature babies. Three of these incubators are sited at local hospitals and are available constantly for use by the Hospital staff in transferring premature babies from one hospital to another, or by the domiciliary midwives in taking such infants into hospital.

Ambulance Station Telephone Numbers.—Table IX appended to this report gives the telephone Numbers of Ambulance Stations serving the County. These numbers are not necessarily the same as those exhibited in Telephone Exchanges to which all emergency calls are directed. For instance, the emergency calls for Brynmawr are relayed to Caerleon 283. A local arrangement exists whereby calls directed to Monmouthshire are immediately referred to the Brynmawr station or, if need be, the calls are answered by Monmouthshire.

Sitting Car Service.

This service is running quite efficiently and works as follows:—

Each medical practitioner, midwife, hospital matron, etc., is supplied with voucher books authorising journeys to be made by private car at the expense of the local health authority in all cases where by reason of physical or mental defect the patient is unable to travel by public conveyance, and the starting point is situated within the County. The charges permitted are agreed by the local health authority, who advertise for tenders from car proprietors who are willing to undertake the conveyance of patients. For this purpose the County is divided into 13 areas which are covered by 10 contractors. The following table shews the contractors and the parishes covered since 1/4/64. The contract for conveyance of sitting patients is for a period of three years The present contracts will thus remain

in operation until 31st March, 1967. At Ystradgynlais, sitting patients are conveyed by the ambulances since whole time personnel are employed. Penderyn, although not covered by an official contractor, presents no difficulties, much of the work being done by the bordering authority on our behalf, and cases are also conveyed by local garage proprietors.

Area No.	Contractor.	Districts.
1.	T. J. Brown & Sons, 1 George Street, Brynmawr. Tel. Brynmawr 238	Brynmawr, Darenfelen and Clydach.
2.	J. L. Williams, Crescent Garage, Cwmdu. Tel. Bwlch 289	Llangynidr, Bwlch and Cwmdu.
3.	J. L. Williams, Crescent Garage, Cwmdu. Tel. Bwlch 289	Crickhowell, Gilwern, Grwynefawr, Grwynefechan, Llanbedr, Llangattock, Llangenny, and Partrishow.
4.	Brecon Motors Ltd., 41 Watton, Brecon. Tel. Brecon 2610	The Borough of Brecon and Parishes of Merthyr Cynog, Llanddew, Llandefaelogfach, Battle, Aberyscir, Vennyfach, Llanspyddid, St. David Without, Glyn, Modrydd. Cantref, Llanfrynach, Llanhamlach, Llanwern, Llansantffraed, Llanfihangel Talyllyn, Llangasty Talyllyn, Cathedine, Llangorse, Llanfillo and Llanfigan (excepting Torpantau) and Llanddetty (excepting Pontsticill and Dolygaer).
5.	T. C. Davies, Drug Stores, Sennybridge. Tel. Sennybridge 447	Parishes of Llandeilo'r Fan, Llanfihangel Nantbran, Trallong, Ysclydach, Traianmawr, Traianglas, Cray, Senny, Maescar and Penpont.
6.	R. Morris, 102 Oak Road, Gurnos Estate, Merthyr Tydfil. Tel. Merthyr Tydfil 2839	Patients can only be conveyed from:— Parishes of Vaynor plus Pontsticill, Dolygaer and Torpantau and those houses and farms situated near the Brecon—Merthyr Road although these are actually in the Parish of Penderyn.
7.	No Contractor. Hand to nearest Car Proprietor willing to undertake journey.	Patients can only be conveyed from:— Parish of Penderyn excepting those houses and farms situated near the Brecon—Merthyr Road (see Area 6) plus Hepste portion of the Brecon R.D.C. which comes in between Penderyn and Ystradfellte Parishes and also the Breconshire portion of Hirwaun and Parish of Ystradfellte.
8.	W. R. Powell, The Garage, Llanwrtyd Wells. Tel. Llanwrtyd Wells 259	Urban District of Llanwrtyd and Parishes of Llanwrtyd Without, Llandulas, Penbuallt Gwarafog, Llanafanfawr, Llanlleonfel, Llanafanfechan, Llanfihangel Abergwessin and Llandewi Abergwessin and Treflis.

Area No.	Contractor.	Districts.
9.	C. K. Andrews, (Builth Wells) Ltd, Builth Motor Garage, Builth Wells. Tel. Builth Wells 2218	Urban District of Builth and Parishes of Rhosferig, Llanganten, Llanynis, Maesmynis Llangynog, Llandewi'r Cwm and Alltmawr.
10.	C. K. Andrews, (Builth Wells) Ltd., Builth Motor Garage, Builth Wells. Tel. Builth Wells 2218	Llanwrthwl, Llysdinam (Breconshire) and Llanfihangel Brynpabuan.
11.	H. V. Webb & Sons, Lion Garage, Lion Street, Hay-on-Wye. Tel. Hay-on-Wye 619	Urban District of Hay and Parishes of Hay Rural, Llanigon and Tregoyd and Velindre.
12.	H. V. Sandy, New Inn, Talgarth Tel. Talgarth 220	Talgarth, Llanelieu, Llandefalle (Southern Half), Bronllys, Aberllynfi and Pipton.
13.	C. K. Andrews, (Builth Wells) Ltd., Builth Motor Garage, Builth Wells. Tel. Builth Wells 2218	Llyswen, Gwenddwr, Crickadarn, Llandefalle (Northern Half).

No tenders were received in respect of District No. 7, Penderyn and Ystradfellte.

It is pointed out that no tenders were invited and, therefore, no contracts entered into in respect of the Ystradgynlais District, in view of the fact that this district is at present adequately covered by the County Council's ambulances operating in the district. From time to time use is made of Local Garages to supplement this service if demands are too heavy.

The Ambulance Service in Breconshire has no 24-hour central control but on the whole the service operates very smoothly indeed, in spite of this. Much consideration has been given to the question of central control and the question has also been subjected to considerable investigation by the officers of the Welsh Board of Health and the Ministry of Health, with the conclusion that a compromise has been arranged whereby a 24-hour service is guaranteed by the garages, and the County Health Department can act as central control during office hours. Calls for sitting cars during the day are normally made from hospitals outside the County to the County Health Department or to one of the ambulance stations. Requests from doctors within the County are made direct to the various contractors.

The limit of 40 miles, over which it is necessary to obtain prior approval from the County Medical Officer, continues to be imposed and has enabled the local health authority to combine a considerable number of journeys thereby reducing the cost accordingly.

Doctors and hospitals are from time to time reminded of economy and letters have been repeatedly written to hospitals requesting them to change times of appointments in order to fit in more than one patient in a car proceeding to the hospital.

The inconvenience and remote situation of many dwellings must have a direct bearing on the demand for transport under this scheme and although general practitioners are being constantly informed of this, it is inevitable that it must tend to increase the demand.

With the withdrawal of train services and the curtailment of certain bus services in Breconshire, it is inevitable that this problem will be felt to a greater extent in the future.

There does not appear to be any deliberate abuse of the scheme, which the local health authority supervises very carefully

Figures of the ambulance and sitting-car services during 1965 are given below:—

Ambulance Service.

Ambulance Station	Number of Journ'ys	Patients Carried		Total Patients Carried	Total Miles Tr'v'll'd	Patients conveyed as Accident or Emergency Cases
		Str'tchr	Sitting			
Brecon ...	445	481	61	542	14101	91
Brynmawr ...	266	281	29	310	3971	67
Builth ...	230	254	3	257	8663	17
Crickhowell ...	260	247	37	284	8320	25
Hay ...	171	194	7	201	8363	28
Ystrad'lais ...	1318	533	7610	8143	56610	145
Totals ...	2690	1990	7747	9737	100028	378
1964 ...	2749	2071	7900	9971	104932	438
1963 ...	2744	2011	8084	10095	103117	458
1962 ...	2606	1974	7251	9225	96140	399
1961 ...	2573	1935	6233	8168	93123	381
1960 ...	2412	1935	7175	9110	96760	300
1959 ...	2330	1743	6303	8046	87883	299
1958 ...	2287	1759	6422	8181	90559	271
1957 ...	2304	1746	5657	7403	92314	232
1956 ...	2304	1950	4961	6911	90708	201

Sitting Car Service — 1965.

Month.	Journeys.	Patients.	Mileage.
January ..	739	1782	23876
February .	741	1884	24187
March ..	736	1867	22900
April ..	712	1724	23882
May .	746	1943	22520
June ..	743	1910	23284
July ..	734	1871	22731
August ..	652	1527	20169
September ..	687	1590	23183
October .	705	1751	23456
November ..	786	1891	25484
December .	642	1539	21324
	8623	21279	276996

Comparative Figures for previous years.

Year.	Journeys.	Patients.	Mileage.
1964 ..	8155	19869	265765
1963 ..	7463	18499	240649
1962 ..	7430	17467	236712
1961 ..	7399	17257	229208
1960 ..	6702	14188	195278
1959 ..	5841	12316	182272
1958 ..	5599	12685	168595
1957 ..	5496	12167	159376
1956 ..	5843	12462	162583
1955 ..	5595	11528	168473

It will be noted that the number of journeys undertaken, mileage covered and the patients carried by sitting car rose again during the year. The sitting car service made 468 more journeys, carried 1410 additional patients and covered 11,231 more miles than in 1964.

Section 28.—Prevention of Illness, Care and After-Care.

Under this heading comes the after-care of patients suffering from tuberculosis, mental illness or defectiveness, all types of illnesses, the provision of equipment and apparatus (medical comforts) required for nursing the patients in the homes, and accommodation in recuperation homes. The local health authority, as was the case previously, is responsible for the provision of extra nourishment and clothes for the patient and his family, except in the case of patients who are in receipt of

National Assistance, when these items would be the responsibility of the National Assistance Board. Provision of out-door shelters, special beds and bedding, and other nursing requisites, etc., is the concern of the local health authority, and applications for any of these services are dealt with after furnishing particulars of all members of the family income, etc. When assistance is given, it is either free of charge or on whole or part payment by the patient. The amount of payment to be made by the patient is assessed on an income scale adopted by the local health authority and approved by the Ministry of Health.

Such items as wheel-chairs and crutches are provided by the County Council if the need is a temporary one, but if the necessity is likely to be permanent, then the responsibility for the provision of the articles rests with the Regional Hospital Board, such items being supplied through the Ministry of Pensions. Any applications of this nature are forwarded by this Department to the appropriate Hospital Management Committee requesting them to deal with the case.

Nursing requisites of a minor nature are provided free in all cases.

(1) **Tuberculosis** — The treatment of Tuberculosis in the County is carried on by the Welsh Hospital Board (Tuberculosis Division). Table V (appended) shows the number of cases notified on Form "A" during the year.

Where necessary, the local health authority will provide tuberculosis patients with shelters on loan, and extra nourishment can be provided by the local health authority for them. The health visitors visit households in which there are tuberculosis patients and offer advice as to contacts and preventive measures which should be taken by them. Cases of bad housing conditions are referred to the local housing authorities.

The local health authority, with the Welsh Hospital Board, arrange for the joint appointment of medical officers who are employed in connection with the local health authority's services in relation to the prevention of illness, care and after-care of persons suffering from tuberculosis.

The Domestic Help Scheme under Section 29 also plays its part in the prevention of illness, care and after-care of these cases.

The Time Tables of the Tuberculosis Chest Physicians are as follows:—

Name and Address of Chest Clinic.	Days of Attendance.	Times.
1. Dr. D. Ivor Williams, 2 Bulwark, Brecon—Telephone 2954.		
Brecon	Tuesdays ..	9.30 a.m. to 12 noon—Clinic New and old patients. 11 a.m.—Consultations (Brecon Hospital).

Name and Address of Chest Clinic.	Days of Attendance.	Times.
1. Dr. D. Ivor Williams (Continued)—		
	Tuesdays (Cont.) ..	2 p.m.—Contacts and B.C.G. Domiciliary Visits
	Fridays ..	10 a.m.—New and old patients. 2 p.m.—New Cases by Appointment.
Builth Hospital Builth Wells ..	Mondays ..	10.30 a.m.—Clinic and Consultations
The Hospital Llandrindod ..	Mondays ..	2 p.m. — Clinic and Consultations.
Ystradgynlais—at Adelina Patti Hospital ..	Thursdays ..	2 p.m.—New and Old Cases.

2. Dr. L. Erin, "Hawthorns," Courtland Terrace, Merthyr Tydfil—

Telephone 2829.

For Cefn, Vaynor and Pontsticill Patients.

Courtland Terrace Merthyr Tydfil ..	Tuesdays ..	2 p.m.—New and Old Cases by Appointment.
	Wednesdays ..	9.30 a.m.—New and Old Cases by Appointment.
	Wednesdays ..	2 p.m.—Children and Contacts.

For Penderyn and Hirwaun Patients.

General Hospital Aberdare ..	Mondays ..	9.30 a.m. — New and old patients.
	Thursdays ..	2 p.m.—Old Cases.

3. Dr. R. G. Prosser Evans, "Clairwood," 2, Lower Cymla Road, Neath.

Telephone, Neath 278.

(For Pontneathvaughan)

"Clairwood," 2, Lower Cymla Rd., Neath ..	Mondays ..	9.30 a.m. to 11 a.m. Old Cases (By appointment only).
	Wednesdays ..	9.30—New Cases (By appointment only). 2 p.m.—Contact Clinic.
	Tuesdays ..	Static Mass Radiography Sessions. 10 a.m. to 12 noon—females. 2 p.m.-4 p.m.—Males.
	Thursdays ..	9.30 a.m. - 11 a.m. Old Cases (By appointment only).

Name and Address of Chest Clinic.	Days of Attendance.	Times.

4. Dr. N. C. Norman and Dr. S. Keidan, "Ennisclare," Llanarth Road, Pontllanfraith. Telephone—Blackwood 3281.

'Ennisclare," Llanarth Road, Pontllanfraith	.. Mondays	.. 10 a.m. Old and New Male Patients (Appointments). 2.30 p.m. Special appointments.

Blaina and District Hospital, Nantyglo—Tuesdays, 10 a.m.

New and Old Patients (also for Brynmawr patients).

	Wednesdays	.. 10 a.m.—Old and New Patients—Female. 2.30 p.m.—Contact Clinic
	Thursdays	.. 10 a m. and 2.30 p.m. —Special X - ray Appointments.
	Fridays	.. 10 a.m.—New and Old Patients — Children 2.30 p.m. — Contact and B.C.G. Clinic.
	Saturdays	.. 10 a.m.— Special Appointments

5. Dr. M. I. Jackson, Chest Clinic, 129, Stow Hill, Newport Telephone: Newport 66781.

Out Patient Dept. Nevill Hall Hospital Abergavenny, Tel. Abergavenny 1091	.. Thursdays	.. 2 p.m. New and old patients (by appointment only).

B.C.G. Vaccination.

The Chest Physicians undertaking duties in Breconshire still undertake the work of B.C.G. Vaccination in the County Areas under their control in respect of contact cases.

Since 1951 the following cases have been vaccinated:—

		By Chest Physicians. (mainly contacts).	By Medical Officers of County Council.
1951	...	99	Nil
1952	...	43	Nil
1953	...	72	Nil
1954	...	92	Nil
1955	...	104	126
1956	...	81	104
1957	...	101	346
1958	...	77	352
1959	...	97	134
1960	...	88	887
1961	...	68	884
1962	...	56	518
1963	...	51	324
1964	...	55	509
1965	...	36	615

The Council's Scheme for B.C.G. Vaccination was approved by the Ministry in March, 1954, and since this date the Authority's Medical Officers have been skin testing and vaccinating school children between their thirteenth and fourteenth birthdays.

In 1959, proposals were submitted by the County Council to the Ministry for the extension of this scheme, to include the skin testing and vaccination or re-vaccination if necessary, of all children over the age of 13 years in school. This scheme was later approved by the Ministry during that year, and was brought into operation in 1960.

T.B. Serial Testing in Schools.

In addition to the above scheme a further scheme for annual skin testing and the X'Raying of any positive reactors was introduced for all school children.

Annual tuberculin testing of all school children provides accurate and reliable information regarding the number of children infected from natural sources during any period of twelve months.

The annual conversion rate of non-reactor children will serve as a reliable index of the prevailing risk of infection in the community. When the conversion rate is found to be abnormally high in any class, school or district it indicates that viable tubercule bacilli are being disseminated freely and that

intensive case finding investigations should be applied including possibly the mass radiography service.

Contacts in the home or at school would be traced and thus prevent the further spread of the disease.

It is hoped, therefore, that by this method we will be able to detect the sources of infection which otherwise would not have been discovered until later.

Details of the work carried out in 1965 are given in the following four tables.

A. **B.C.G. Vaccination**— Children aged 13 and over.

SCHOOL	No. given skin test	Results		No. given B.C.G. Vacc	No. re-skin tested	Results		Given further B.C.C. Vacc.
		Positive	Negative			No. converted to positive	No. not converted	
Builth Comprehensive ...	68	2	66	64	95	90	5	5
Brecon Girls Grammar ...	66	2	64	62	109	95	14	14
Yst'lais Comp. (Boys) ...	56	1	55	54	91	91	...	...
Brecon Mod. Sec. (Girls)	29	1	28	27	36	34	2	2
Yst'lais Comp. (Girls) ...	54	4	50	48	83	82	1	1
Brecon Boys Gram. ...	79	...	79	78	95	92	3	3
Brecon Mod. Sec. (Boys)	35	1	34	34	19	19	...	...
Brynmawr Comp (Boys)	57	...	57	57	56	56	...	...
Christ College ...	19	...	19	18	108	105	3	3
St. David s Convent ...	29	1	28	26	15	15	...	...
Vaynor and Penderyn Comp. ...	42	3	39	37	56	31	25	25
Crickhowell Mod. Sec. ...	21	...	21	20	14	14	...	...
Brynmawr Comp. (Girls)	46	...	46	45	44	30	14	14
Tymawr School ...	26	1	25	25	21	21	...	...
Gwernyfed Mod. Sec. ...	28	8	20	19	38	36	2	2
Totals ..	655	24	631	615	880	811	69	69

B.—T.B. Serial Testing—Other children attending School, who are under 13 years of age.

SCHOOL	Number given skin tests	Results		Number re skin tested	Results		
		Positive	Negative		Natural Positive	B.C.G. Positive	Negative
Crickhowell V.P. ..	52	—	52	104	—	10	94
Cwmdu V.P. ..	8	—	8	32	—	2	30
Cathedine ..	5	1	4	18	—	—	18
Llan Talyllyn V.P. ..	2	—	2	16	1	—	15
Talybont V.P. ..	10	—	10	30	—	2	28
Llanfrynach V.P. ..	3	—	3	14	1	5	9
Builth Comp. ..	6	—	6	43	—	2	41
Llangynidr V.P. ..	15	—	15	35	—	8	27
Llanfilo C.P. ..	—	—	—	5	—	—	5
Talgarth C.P. Mxd. ..	2	—	2	69	—	15	54
Gilwern C.P. ..	48	1	47	129	—	1	128
Llanbedr V.P. ..	9	1	8	37	—	1	36
Llangattock V.P. ..	10	—	10	30	—	5	25
Crickadarn V.P. ..	3	—	3	8	—	4	4
Gwenddwr V.P. ..	6	—	6	5	—	—	5
Bronllys V.P. ..	5	—	5	25	—	4	21
Llandefalle V.P. ..	5	—	5	22	—	4	18
Brecon Girls' Grammar ..	4	—	4	64	—	12	52
Ystradgynlais Comp. (Boys)	1	—	1	30	—	5	25
Brecon Sec. Mod. (Girls) ..	3	—	3	42	—	4	38
Brecon Sec. Mod. (Boys) ..	3	—	3	30	—	7	23
Llanfaes C.P. Mxd. ..	11	—	11	112	1	6	105
Llanfaes C.P. Infants ..	54	—	54	59	—	3	56
Brynmawr C.P. Infants ..	54	—	54	73	—	3	70
Battle C.P. ..	4	1	3	17	—	1	16
Upper Chapel C.P. ..	2	—	2	4	—	—	4
Llandefaelog V.P. ..	—	—	—	4	—	—	4
Merthyr Cynog C.P. ..	—	—	—	12	—	—	12
Glasbury V.P. ..	2	—	2	25	—	—	25
Talgarth C.P. Infants ..	18	—	18	33	—	8	25
Velindre V.P. ..	—	—	—	10	—	—	10
Llanspyddid C.P. ..	5	—	5	20	—	1	19
Llyswen V.P. ..	1	—	1	10	—	—	10
Llangorse V.P. ..	3	—	3	21	1	2	18
Senny C.P. ..	1	—	1	5	—	—	5
Aberpedwar C.P. ..	1	—	1	4	—	—	4
Cray C.P. ..	3	—	3	17	—	1	16
Postern V.P. ..	18	1	17	52	—	3	49
Llanwrtyd C.P. ..	5	—	5	53	—	2	51
Garth C.P. ..	3	—	3	19	—	—	19
Llaneglwys C.P. ..	—	—	—	16	—	—	16
Llanwrthwl V.P. ..	1	—	1	10	—	—	10
Elan Village V.P. ..	6	2	4	11	1	—	10
Mount Street C.P. Mxd. ..	17	—	17	180	—	19	161
Mount Street C.P. Infts. ..	47	—	47	68	—	9	59
Builth C.P. ..	15	1	14	136	8	8	120
Llwynmadoc C.P. ..	7	—	7	16	—	1	15

T. B. Serial Testing—Cont.

SCHOOL	Number given skin tests	Results		Number re-skin tested	Results		
		Positive	Negative		Natural Positive	B.C.G Positive	Negative
Tirabad C.P. ..	6	—	6	17	—	3	14
Llanafanfawr C.P. ..	2	—	2	19	—	—	19
Llanganten C.P. ..	3	—	3	23	—	—	23
Llangammarch C.P. ..	10	—	10	26	—	1	25
Trecastle C.P. ..	7	—	7	23	—	2	21
Trallong V.P. ..	6	—	6	10	—	3	7
Llan-nant-Bran V.P. ..	2	—	2	13	—	1	12
Brynmawr V.P. Mxd. ..	18	1	17	75	—	3	72
Brynmawr V.P. Infts. ..	39	—	39	31	—	—	31
Sennybridge C.P. ..	14	—	14	66	—	9	57
Ystradgynlais Comp. (Girls) ..	3	—	3	66	5	5	56
Brecon Boys' County Grammar	1	—	1	64	—	4	60
Clydach C.P. Infants ..	16	—	16	13	—	—	13
Brynmawr R.C. ..	11	—	11	17	—	—	17
Clydach C.P. Mxd. ..	4	—	4	37	—	—	37
Darenfelen C.P. Mxd. ..	4	—	4	41	—	2	39
Darenfelen C.P. Infants ..	22	—	22	11	—	—	11
Brynmawr C.P. Mxd. ..	12	—	12	157	—	5	152
Brynmawr Comp. (Boys) ..	6	—	6	56	—	1	55
Glyntawe C.P. ..	7	—	7	10	—	—	10
Cynlais C.P. Infts. ..	22	—	22	31	—	2	29
Cynlais C.P. Mxd. ..	3	—	3	51	—	2	49
Christ College ..	9	—	9	10	—	2	8
Gurnos C.P. Mxd. ..	4	1	3	88	—	6	82
Gurnos C.P. Infts. ..	21	—	21	27	—	2	25
Cwmtwrch C.P. Infts. ..	11	—	11	17	—	—	17
Cwmtwrch C.P. Mxd. ..	1	—	1	25	2	1	22
Cefn C.P. Mxd. ..	9	—	9	176	—	9	167
Cefn C.P. Infts. ..	98	—	98	42	—	1	41
Ystradfellte C.P. ..	7	—	7	17	—	—	17
Penderyn C.P. ..	50	1	49	59	—	6	53
Ysgol Thomas Stephen ..	16	1	15	39	1	4	34
Yniscedwyn Welsh ..	37	—	37	62	—	5	57
Glanrhyd C.P. ..	19	—	19	80	—	3	77
Penrhos C.P. Mxd. ..	3	—	3	63	—	6	57
Penrhos C.P. Infts. ..	29	—	29	26	—	3	23
Abercrave C.P. ..	26	—	26	62	—	7	55
Caehopkin C.P. ..	12	—	12	29	—	2	27
Penycae C.P. ..	13	—	13	22	—	—	22
Colbren C.P. ..	12	—	12	39	—	10	29
St. Joseph's Primary ..	16	—	16	25	1	5	19
St. David's Convent ..	38	—	38	39	3	1	35
Crickhowell Sec. Mod. ..	3	—	3	29	—	—	29
Brynmawr Comp. (Girls) ..	4	1	3	63	1	1	61
Gwernyfed Sec. Mod. ..	6	—	6	53	—	3	50
Vaynor and Penderyn Comp.	9	1	8	88	—	2	86
Totals ..	1149	14	1135	3812	25	280	3507

C.—CHEST X-RAYS

(In connection with B.G.G. Vaccination).

School		No. Done.	No. satisfactory.	No. unsatisfactory.
Builth Comp.	..	2	2	—
Brecon Girls Grammar	..	2	2	—
Ystradgnalis Comp. (Boys)	..	1	1	—
Brecon Mod. Sec. (Girls)	..	1	1	—
Ystradgynlais Comp. (Girls)	..	4	4	—
Brecon Mod. Sec. (Boys)	..	1	1	—
St. David's Convent	..	1	1	—
Vaynor and Penderyn Comp.	..	3	3	—
Tymawr School	..	1	1	—
Gwernyfed Sec. Mod.	..	8	8	—

D.—CHEST X-RAYS

(In connection with T.B. Serial Testing).

School.		No. Done.	No. satisfactory.	No. unsatisfactory.
Cathedine V.P.	..	1	1	—
Llan Talyllyn V.P.	..	1	1	—
Gilwern C.P.	..	1	1	—
Llanbedr V.P.	..	1	1	—
Llanfaes C.P. Mixed	..	1	1	—
Battle C.P.	..	1	1	—
Postern V.P.	..	1	1	—
Elan Village V.P.	..	3	3	—
Builth C.P.	..	9	9	—
Brynmawr V.P. Mixed	..	1	1	—
Ystradgynlais Comp. (Girls)	..	5	5	—
Gurnos C.P. Mixed	..	1	1	—
Cwmtwrch C.P. Mixed	..	2	2	—
Penderyn C.P.	..	1	1	—
Ysgol Thomas Stephens	..	2	2	—
St. Joseph's Primarcy	..	1	1	—
St. David's Convent	..	3	3	—
Brynmawr Comp. (Girls)	..	2	2	—
Vaynor and Penderyn Comp.	..	1	1	—

(2) **Illness Generally—**

Arrangements exist for the follow-up of all cases discharged from hospital and work in the after-care of patients is closely linked with Domestic Help and Home Nursing Services.

Nursing equipment and apparatus are loaned to patients direct by the local health authority free of charge.

Items are also loaned by the St. John Ambulance Association and British Red Cross Society. The local health authority has assisted St. John's by providing suitable premises for storage where possible, by grants, and also by the provision of equipment.

In Crickhowell, Llanwrtyd and Gilwern, the British Red Cross Society have set up Comforts Depots, for which we have purchased the equipment. In Crickhowell, the County Council provided the storage facilities at the Market Hall.

During the year, in addition to the items which have been loaned to patients direct and by St. John and the British Red Cross, the following action has been taken to assist patients:—

No. of cases.	Action taken.
3	Convalescence

In addition to the above known applications, the nurses have for their own use such items as air rings and rubber sheeting which are loaned to patients.

Orthopaedic Work.

The treatment of orthopaedic cases is undertaken by the Authority, and the services of Mr. E. R. Treasure, F.R.C.S., Orthopaedic Specialist, St. Tydfil's Hospital, Merthyr, are available by arrangement with the Welsh Hospital Board.

The Local Health Authority employed an Orthopaedic Nurse, Mrs. J. Jones, who paid domiciliary visits as and when necessary. She also held frequent fixed clinics throughout the County.

Mrs. Jones assisted at Mr. Treasure's clinic in Brecon Hospital, for which service the Welsh Hospital Board pays to the Local Health Authority an agreed sessional fee.

The fixed clinics held for orthopaedic treatment are as follows—

The Clinic, Bailey Street, Brynmawr ..	Each Monday, with the exception of the 4th Monday of the month.

The Clinic, Park Road, Builth Wells	.. 4th Monday of each month. a.m.
The Town Hall, Talgarth	.. 1st Tuesday of each month. p.m.
The Clinic, Ystradgynlais	.. Each Wednesday. p.m.
The Clinic, Ysgol-y-Graig, Cefn Coed	.. 1st Thursday of each month. p.m.
The Clinic, Oxford Road, Hay-on-Wye	.. 4th Thursday of each month. a.m.
The Clinic, Crickhowell	.. 3rd Thursday of each month. p.m.
The Watton Offices, Brecon	.. Each Friday. p.m.

As requested by the Department, Mr. E. R. Treasure, held Consultation Clinics at the Brecon Health Department Clinic on the dates shown below. Details of numbers seen are given.

BRECON SPECIALIST CLINIC

Dates—	16/3/65	21/12/65
Number called for Examination	23	25
Number attended	18	20
No treatment required	8	—
To attend clinics	10	19
X-rays required	3	2
To be seen again by Specialist	1	1
Require Hospital treatment	—	1

Chiropody Service.

The County Council's Chiropody Service, which started in April, 1960, still continues to function very satisfactorily, although demands made on the service are increasing. It is a service which is growing and which, of course, is a great help to the elderly.

The categories of patients catered for remain unchanged and are:—

(i) The elderly.

(ii) The physically handicapped.

(iii) Expectant mothers.

(iv) Other patients at discretion of County Medical Officer.

In view of the ever increasing demands made upon the service by these categories alone it is still impossible to extend the scheme beyond these at present.

All Chiropodists were assisted by teams of volunteers drawn from the British Red Cross, St. John Ambulance Association, Old Age Pensioners' Association, and the W.V.S. There is no doubt that the efficiency of the scheme owes much to the valuable services rendered by these good ladies and it is once again recorded that we deeply appreciate this work undertaken by them.

Because of the increasing demand for this service a full time chiropodist was engaged to replace two part time chiropodists working on a sessional basis. At the end of 1965 the Authority employed one full time chiropodist covering the major part of the County, and one sessional worker in Ystradgynlais, Abercrave and Cwmtwrch, giving a whole time equivalent of 1½ chiropodists

At the end of the year Clinics were being held at the following places and at the times shown:—

Clinics held by—

Mrs. M. Llewelyn	**Ystradgynlais**	2nd and 4th Thursdays, p.m. 1st and 3rd Fridays, p.m.
	Abercrave	1st and 3rd Tuesdays, p.m.
	Cwmtwrch	2nd and 4th Tuesdays, p.m.

Clinics held by—

Mr. C. G. Morrish	**Crickhowell**	1st Monday, a.m. and p.m. 4th and 5th Tuesdays, p.m. 5th Monday, p.m,
	Cefn Coed	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, p.m.
	Gilwern	3rd Monday, p.m., and 5th Wednesday, p.m.
	Colbren	2nd and 4th Mondays, p.m.
	Builth Wells	1st Wednesday, a.m. and p.m. 2nd Tuesday, a.m. and p.m. 3rd Wednesday, p.m. 5th Tuesday, p.m.
	Brynmawr	1st and 3rd Tuesdays, a.m. and p.m.
	Hay	2nd and 4th Wednesdays, a.m. 4th Tuesday, a.m.
	Talgarth	3rd Monday, a.m.
	Brecon	Every Friday. a.m. and p.m. (except 3rd Friday of month).
	Darenfelin	1st and 3rd Thursdays, p.m.
	Pontneath-vaughan	2nd Monday, a.m.

Attendance is still by appointment only.

Apart from these above clinics the chiropodists visited housebound patients to give treatment and the extent of such treatment insofar as the numbers treated and number of visits will be seen in the Table X.

It has previously been stated that at some future date clinics will be extended to Llanwrtyd Wells and Sennybridge. When clinic premises are erected in these places it is hoped to put the extension plan into operation.

The method of obtaining treatment is still the same as hitherto and patients can either ask for an appointment direct from the local volunteers running the clinic in their area, or write to the County Medical Officer.

Transport of patients to the Chiropody Clinics can be undertaken under Section 27 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, if the patient is unable to attend by means of alternative public transport. Alternatively, when a patient is conveyed to the Clinic by the voluntary agency, using a member's car, such member is paid at the rate of 6d. per mile. Authorisation by the patient's doctor, however, is required before transport can be provided either by the Ambulance Authority or the Voluntary agency.

All Chiropodists employed were qualified and satisfy one or other of the qualifications stated in Section 3 of the National Health Service (Medical Auxiliaries) Regulations, 1954 (Statutory Instrument No. 55, 1954), and the Local Health Authority has been most careful in seeing that the requirements of these Regulations have been fully met.

Elderly and handicapped patients have treatment free of charge; expectant mothers and other patients pay 2/6d. per treatment.

During the year the following work was undertaken.—

Clinic Sessions.

Clinic Sessions held .. 413

	Elderly	Physically Handi-capped	Expectant Mothers	Others	Total
Number of patients treated ..	616	15	—	7	640
Number of attendances made by these patients ..	3058	43	—	41	3142

Domiciliary Visits.

Number of patients visited ..	145
Number of visits paid to these patients ..	489

Table X, appended to this report gives further information of patients treated at Clinics and domiciliary visits shown in their respective areas.

VENEREAL DISEASES—

The authority's health visitors are available for the visiting of these cases to encourage them to keep up their attendance at special clinics and continue with the prescribed treatment.

Free posters are issued for display at Clinics and elsewhere

Apart from any assistance as above, treatment of V.D. is provided by the Regional Hospital Board. There are no treatment centres in the County and patients attend at Swansea Mount Pleasant Hospital, Hereford County Hospital, Royal Gwent Hospital, Newport, Moira Terrace, Cardiff, Merthyr Tydfil, and V.D. Clinic, 1, Belmont, Shrewsbury.

CANCER—

During the year, the number of deaths from Cancer was unchanged and the death rate only .01 less per 1,000 population. The figures for this year being 104 deaths and a death rate of 1.90 per 1,000 population, as compared with 104 and a death rate of 1.91 in 1964. Of the 104 deaths there were 18 cases of lung cancer.

Deaths from Cancer accounted for 14.94% of all the deaths, which is an increase of 0.92 per 1,000 population. The deaths from lung cancer were 17.30% of the total cancer deaths.

The death rate per 1,000 population of Lung Cancer was 0.33 for 1965 compared with a figure of 0.36 for 1964.

Figures of deaths from cancer, and the rate per 1,000 population over the last ten years are given below:—

Year.	Deaths.	Rate per 1000 population.
1964	104	1.91
1963	120	2.20
1962	112	2.05
1961	122	2.20
1960	91	1.64
1959	93	1.66
1958	116	2.07
1957	111	1.97
1956	106	1.88
1955	98	1.75

Section 29.—DOMESTIC HELP—

This scheme under Section 29 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, continues to work quite well throughout the County. The difficulty previously encountered owing to the lack of domestic helps has almost disappeared, and difficulty is now only experienced in the odd case where domestic helps are unwilling to accept the case.

Domestic Helps are registered with the authority and then engaged on a case basis as required.

During 1963 the Welsh Board of Health called for a revised set of figures, and it will therefore, be noted that the figures given in the following tables cannot be a true comparison with previous years. In an endeavour to give a comparison with the last four years it is necessary to repeat some of the categories helped in this table.

On the 31st December, 1965, the number of domestic helps employed by the Authority was :

(a) Whole-time Domestic Helps	...	Nil
(b) Part-time Domestic Helps	...	202
(c) Whole-time equivalent of those shewn in (b)	...	61

The number of cases where Domestic Help was provided during the year, together with yearly figures since 1961 for comparison, is given below:—

		1965	1964	1963	1962	1961
Maternity	...	4	10	16	12	15
Tuberculosis	...	—	—	—	10	6
Chronic Sick and Aged	...	—	—	—	316	313
Chronic Sick and Tuberculosis	...	40	37	38	—	—
Cases over 65 years	...	343	315	296	—	—
Mentally disordered	...	4	4	2	—	—
Others	...	17	15	18	25	21
Totals	...	408	381	370	363	355

Mrs. F. J. McLean supervises the domestic helps by frequent visits to patients' homes. There is now a closer liaison between the domestic helps, the patients and the Department since the appointment of a Domestic Help Supervisor, and irregularities, however slight, are investigated by the Supervisor immediately.

Holiday Scheme for Domestic Helps.

During 1963 the Breconshire County Council introduced a holiday scheme for domestic helps based on the number of hours worked and the continuity of each domestic help's service during the previous year.

The scheme was one formulated by the Authority and is not a national agreement. Domestic helps being engaged on a case basis were not considered to be covered by any such agreement nationally and this scheme was formulated and is operated by the County Council without prejudice to any further decision which the Authority may make in this matter.

The conditions applied in the operation of the scheme are as follows:—

"The Domestic Helps will only be entitled to holidays in any year, provided they have worked for an average of **5 hours or more per week** during the previous year, and also worked for a period of **27 weeks or more.**

The scheme operates as under:

(i) Domestic Helps who work between 27 weeks and 39 weeks in the year ... 1 week's holiday

(ii) Domestic Helps who work 40 weeks or over in the year ... 2 weeks' holiday

Provided that in (i) and (ii) the employee has worked for an average of 5 hours per week throughout the year of 52 weeks.

(1) Work undertaken this year will govern the holiday entitlement or payment in lieu for next year.

(2) Because of the nature of the Domestic Help Service and because most persons are in the main working short hours, the holiday will be calculated in hours and not in days and payment will be made in lieu of holidays.

(3) Domestic Helps take holidays as they require them as hitherto, but the payment in lieu is calculated as soon as practicable after the end of the financial year and payment will be made to all persons say at the end of May each year.

(4) Persons leaving the service will only receive their holiday entitlement (if any) at the appropriate time, as mentioned in paragraph (3).

It will thus be seen that the minimum payment to be made to any domestic help in lieu of holidays is for five hours.

The cost of this scheme to the County Council for each of the last three years was:— 1963. £723; 1964, £821; 1965, £1,001.

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE.

Mental Health Act, 1959.

The Mental Health Act, 1959, came into operation during 1960. All previous legislation relating to mental illness and mental deficiency and contained in the Lunacy and Mental

Treatment Acts, 1890-1930 and the Mental Deficiency Acts, 1913-38, was repealed in the new Act.

The Mental Health Act, 1959, makes provision with respect to the treatment and care of mentally disordered persons and with respect to their property and affairs. The emphasis throughout this Act is on treatment and not custody. Every effort will be made to encourage patients to seek treatment informally and without compulsion. A mentally disordered person can now enter any Mental Hospital or General Hospital for observation without any formality or certification whatsoever.

Types of Mentally Disordered Persons.

(a) **Mentally Ill.**

(b) **Psychopathic Personality.**

(c) **Severely Subnormal Personality.**

(d) **Subnormal Personality.**

The magistrate no longer has any part in the compulsory admission of patients to hospital. This lays stress on medical, as opposed to the administrative outlook on mental disorder. The compulsory admission for observation or treatment will now be on the recommendation of two doctors. One doctor must have special psychiatric experience, and the other doctor if possible should be the patient's general medical practitioner.

Adequate safeguards against unnecessary detention are provided by the establishment of Mental Health Review Tribunals. One Tribunal is formed for each area for which there is a Regional Hospital Board, to consider applications from patients already in mental hospitals for their release from hospital.

The Local Health Authority is responsible for the community care of all mentally disordered persons not in hospital.

Local Authority Services

Under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act.

(a) The provision, equipment and maintenance of residential accommodation and the care of persons resident in such accommodation.

(b) The provision of centres for training or occupation and the equipment and maintenance of such centres.

(c) The appointment of officers to act as Mental Welfare Officers.

(d) To supervise persons placed under Guardianship.

(e) The provision of a home training service.

(f) The provision of day centres.

(g) The provision of social clubs.

(h) The provision of a Home Visiting Service.

Under Education Act, 1944.

The ascertainment of children unsuitable for education in school.

ORGANISATION AND STAFF OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES.

(A) The following is, in outline, a description of the existing organisation and staff arrangements:—

(1) Mental Health Sub-Committee.

The Local Health Authority has appointed a Mental Health Services Sub-Committee which is a sub-committee of the Local Health Committee.

(2) Officers responsible for organisation and control.

The County Medical Officer, Dr. R. G. Evans, assisted by the Deputy County Medical Officer, Dr. J. K. Jones, advise the authority on mental health matters. The County Medical Officer undertakes the overall organisation and control of the services and the direction of all mental health workers carrying out the function of the local health authority. The Deputy Medical Officer is responsible for the day to day organisation of the mental health services.

The ascertainment of subnormal or severely subnormal personality is undertaken by the County Medical Officer, the Deputy County Medical Officer and Dr. C. E. Edwards, Assistant Medical Officer and District M.O.H. (Southern areas) who are approved by the Breconshire L.E.A. for the ascertainment of children who are unsuitable for education at school.

The psychiatrists of the Welsh Hospital Board co-operate to the fullest extent and borderline or controversial cases are referred to them for opinion. In this connection Dr. G. Diggle, Medical Superintendent of the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth, gives every possible help.

Dr. Michael Craft, Consultant Psychiatrist for North and Mid-Wales, co-operates fully with this department and he is

always ready to advise on any cases on his visits South. Dr. Craft is also the Medical Superintendent of Oakwood Park Hospital, Conway, North Wales.

Dr. D. C. Wynn Jenkins, Medical Superintendent, of Ely Hospital, Cardiff also co-operates with the department. The authority has in the past been indebted to Dr. Jenkins for his readiness to accommodate children for Short Term Care whenever possible.

During the year cases were also referred to Mr. J. McDonald Child Psychiatrist, at Swansea, and to Dr. Gaynor N. Lacey. Consultant Psychiatrist to Merthyr Tydfil Education Committee for assessment.

The co-operation, help and guidance of all these Consultant Psychiatrists, and that of the staff of the Welsh Hospital Board at Cardiff, has greatly helped us in surmounting our problems and is much appreciated.

(3) Administrative and Clerical Staff.

Two part-time officers assist the County Medical Officer in the administration of the Mental Health Services.

(4) Psychiatric Social Worker.

One Psychiatric Social Worker is employed by the Welsh Border Hospital Management Committee (Regional Hospital Board) jointly with the County Councils of Breconshire, Radnorshire and Montgomeryshire. She devotes 5/33rds of her time to Breconshire.

(5) Mental Welfare Officers.

Mental Welfare Officers.— Six give part-time service only, as they are also Welfare Officers and Registrars of Births and Deaths. They work in the following five areas:—

(a) Brecon and Sennybridge — Mr. H. G. Edwards.

(b) Brynmawr and Crickhowell — Mr. T. V. Rees.

(c) Builth, Hay and Talgarth — Mr. David J. Davies.

(d) Ystradgynlais — Mr. W. T. Davies.

(e) Vaynor and Penderyn — Mrs. M. M. R. England.

(f) Whole County (Relief) — Mr. R. I. Jones.

A system of relief has been devised to ensure that a Mental Welfare Officer is always available for any district. Each Mental Welfare Officer relieves his or her neighbouring colleague, and as a further safeguard, Mr. R. I. Jones, Chief Clerk in the Public Health Department, has been appointed and approved as Relief Mental Welfare Officer.

Table XI appended to this report shows the names, addresses and telephone numbers of the Mental Welfare Officers; giving their normal areas served together with the areas they each relieve.

Although these officers only give part-time service in the Mental Health field, those at Brecon, Brynmawr and Hay are actually whole-time officers of the Council, whereas those at Vaynor and Penderyn and at Ystradgynlais are only part-time officers.

The duties of the Mental Welfare Officers are to exercise the functions given to them by Sections 22, 135 and 140 and Parts IV and V of the Mental Health Act, 1959.

(6) Health Visitors and Home Visiting Services.

Periodic visits are paid by the Health Visitors to all subnormal patients in their area. Some of these patients are also visited by the Psychiatric Social Worker.

The Health Visitors also visit and submit a periodic report on patients discharged from mental hospitals, as part of a Home Visiting Service. Cases suitable for surveillance by the Health Visitors are forwarded by the Psychiatric Social Worker and the Health Visitors work under the guidance of the Deputy County Medical Officer and the Superintendent Nursing Officer.

Summary of Mentally-ill Patients visited by Health Visitors during 1965.

Type of Mental Disorder.	No. of Cases Visited.
Schizophrenia	23
Manic Depressive Psychosis	13
Involutional Melancholia	12
Psychotic Depression	16
Epileptic Psychosis	4
Chronic Anxiety	3
Hypomania	1
Confusional Psychosis	8
Hysteria	5
Psychopathic Personality	2
Senile Dementia	1
Agitated Depression	1
Suicidal Depression	1
Reactive Depression	1
Subnormal Depression	1
Recurrent Depression	2
Other Cases	38

Summary of Sub-normal patients visited by Health Visitors during 1965.

	Nos. Visited.
Subnormal patients	38
Severely subnormal patients	50

The majority of the home visiting of mentally disordered patients is still, however undertaken by the Psychiatric Social Worker working from the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth.

(7) **Training of Staff.**

(a) Mental Welfare Officers.

It is proposed to send all the Mental Welfare Officers on an approved course in Mental Health.

(b) Health Visitors.

Health Visitors employed by the Local Authority attended a course of "In-Service" training organised by the Medical Superintendent, Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth, and visited the Rehabilitation Unit at Cardiff, during the year.

The Deputy County Medical Officer, the Medical Superintendent of the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth and the Psychiatric Social Worker, have given lectures on the Mental Health Act to all nursing staff.

Miss Gwendoline Morgan, the Psychiatric Social Worker discusses individual patients with the Health Visitors at frequent meetings throughout the County.

An excellent liaison has thus been established between the staff of the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth and the Health Department of the Council.

In-service training is being continued at the Mid-Wales Hospital and Health Visitors attend a series of one-day study courses, These are held for one day each month.

At the request of one Health Visitor in the County the Authority agreed to sponsor her for an 1 8 months course of Psychiatric Nursing at Guy's Hospital, London. The Authority made up the difference between her Health Visitors salary and the pay she received as a student Psychiatric Nurse at Guy's Hospital.

(c) Supervisors of Occupation Centres.

In July 1965 Miss M. Bann completed a two year training course and was successful in obtaining the Diploma of the N.A.M.H. She was taken on the staff, and together with Miss C. Powney, undertook the domiciliary visitation of subnormal and severely subnormal patients as Home Teachers for the Mentally Handicapped. When the new Occupation and Junior Training Centre is opened in 1966 both these two teachers will be absorbed into the Centre staff.

(8) **Training Centre.**

There are no Junior Training Centres or Adult Training Centres at present available in the area, although the erection of the Centre was commenced in December, 1964, and will be opened in September, 1966.

Social, educational and occupational training will be provided as governed by the demands made for such services. Ancilliary services such as meals, medical inspection, dental treatment and provision of transport will be provided.

Arrangements have been made with adjoining Authorities for the attendance of certain patients at their occupation centres.

Ten trainees attended Occupation Centres in adjoining Counties.

One boy is resident at the Sunfield Children's Home, Clent. Worcs., and another "chair-bound" boy is at the Cheshire Home, Hawthorn Lodge, Dorchester.

(9) **Residential Accommodation.**

No form of residential accommodation is available at present, but this may well warrant serious consideration sooner than was anticipated, and this has been provided for in the 10 year plan of Health and Welfare Services.

The authority will, when necessary, and when possible arrange with voluntary bodies or other authorities providing such facilities, for accommodation to be available for cases from this area

(10) **Home Training.**

As previously stated, Miss Carole Powney and Miss M. Bann are now engaged as peripatetic teachers for the mentally handicapped and visit them in their own homes.

With the development of a Training Centre it is anticipated that there will be no need for home teaching, although the Authority will review the position from time to time to ensure that all patients who will benefit are given an opportunity to receive training.

(11) **Day Centres, Social Clubs, Etc.**

There are no existing arrangements of this nature.

It is the Authority's intention, with the aid of the Voluntary Agencies, to provide Social Clubs and other activities, but that at the onset a pilot scheme should operate in the County Town (Brecon) and that the service should be extended as soon as the demand warrants the establishment of Social Centres and Clubs elsewhere.

(12) **Guardianship.**

The Authority will ensure that they will exercise their functions under the Mental Health Act, 1959, in respect of

persons placed under guardianship, whether that of the Authority or of other persons.

There were no cases under Guardianship in the County during 1965.

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(13) **Statistics.**

Details of patients receiving home visits, attending Occupation Centres, waiting for admission to Occupation Centres. Admissions and Discharges from Hospitals, etc., are given in Table XII as an appendix to this Report.

In Section B of this table will be found the number of cases referred to the Local Health Authority during the year 1965.

(14) **Waiting List For Hospital Admission.**

Number of Patients in Local Health Authority's area on waiting list for admission to Hospital at 31/12/65.

	Psychopath. Under 16 years.		Psychopath. Over 16 years.		Subnormal Under 16 years.		Subnormal Over 16 years.		Severely Subnormal Under 16 years.		Severely Subnormal Over 16 years.	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
(1) In Urgent need of Hospital Care ...	—	—	—	—	—		—	—	—	1	—	—
(2) Not in Urgent Need of Hospital Care ...	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

(15) **Number of admissions for temporary residential care.**

No patients were admitted to temporary residential care during 1965.

Admission of Emergency Cases to Psychiatric Hospitals.

In accordance with the provisions of Sections 132 of the Mental Health Act, 1959, and of paragraph II of the Ministry of Health Memorandum on Parts 1, IV-VIII and IX of the Act, the following hospitals were notified to the Local Health Authority as catering for emergency admissions from the County:—

Penyval Hospital, Abergavenny.

Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth.

*Mount Pleasant Hospital, Swansea.

*Accommodation for Psycho-Geriatric Patients.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 132 of the Mental Health Act, 1959 ,and due to the prevailing shortage of accommodation and the long waiting lists, it will still be necessary for the Welsh Hospital Board to continue to arrange accommodation through its central bed bureau which has been in operation since 1948. Every effort will be made by the officers of the bureau in conjunction with the appropriate staff of the local health authority to find emergency accommodation as necessary.

Ambulance Services.

The ambulance service for mentally-ill patients is the same as set out in Section 27.

Mental Health Act, 1959.

Mental Health (Approval of Medical Practitioners) Regulations, 1960.

The following list comprises the names of all Medical Practitioners approved by the Breconshire County Council in accordance with the Mental Health Act, 1959, and the Mental Health (Approval of Medical Practioners) Regulations, 1960 (Statutory Instrument, 1960, No. 771) :—

Approval effective in all instances to 31.10.70.

Name and Address of Medical Practitioner	Telephone Number
AITKEN, C. A. M., Danybryn, Camden Road, Brecon ..	Brecon 2121
BECK, G. H., The Grange, Cefn Coed ..	Merthyr Tydfil 2000
BOLADZ, W., Castle Bank, Ystradgynlais..	Glantawe 3221
CAMERON, D. F., Tyn-y-Berllan, Builth Wells ..	Builth Wells 2207
CHOPRA, S. N., Dunedin House, Brynmawr	Brynmawr 226
COPPOCK., R. L., Iscoed, Camden Road, Brecon ..	Brecon 2244
DAVIES, E., Haulfryn, Abercrave ..	Abercrave 225
DAVIES, V. J., Haulfryn, Abercrave ..	Abercrave 225
DIGGLE, G., Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth	Talgarth 202
DOLNY, L. Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth ..	Talgarth 202
EDWARDS, Creighton E., 12 Camden Court, Brecon ..	Brecon 2867 (Home) Brecon 2456/7 (Office)
EVANS, C. M. S., Health Office, Brecon ..	Brecon 2456 (Office) Brecon 2994 (Home)
EVANS, J. I., Grosmont, Hirwaun ..	Hirwaun 221

EVANS, R. G., Health Office, Brecon ..	Brecon 2456/7 (Office) Brecon 2575 (Home)
FARRINGTON, G. W., The Hermitage, Brynmawr ..	Brynmawr 217
FARRINGTON, R. M., Clydach House, Gilwern ..	Gilwern 315
FENN, C. M., Meadow Way, Llanwrtyd Wells ..	Llanwrtyd 257
GILROY, P. J., Knockgrania, Caddicks Rd, Blaina ..	Blaina 340
HAND, B. J., Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth	Talgarth 202
HOUGHTON, H. J., Cecil Lodge, Llandrindod Wells ..	Llandrindod 2095
JONES, J. K., 5, Lon-y-Coed, Brecon ..	Brecon 2456/7 (Office) Brecon 2925 (Home)
LONDON, J. M., The Cottage, Talgarth ..	Talgarth 309
MELLING, N. E., Wennetune, Sennybridge	Sennybridge 380
PRICE, K. J. P., Rhydywernen House, Brecon ..	Brecon 2244
PUGH, V. T., Maes-y-Coed, Builth Wells ..	Builth Wells 2207
PUGH, J. K., Maes-y-Coed, Builth Wells ..	Builth Wells 2207
UNGAR, L., 'San Remo,' The Walk, Merthyr Tydfil ..	Merthyr Tydfil 3630

Annual Report for 1965 on the Psychiatric Social Services in Brecon.

The Psychiatric Social Service consists of Pre-Care, In-Care and After-Care of those suffering from mental ill health. Preventative treatment is made possible when patients are referred in the early stages of instability and when external problems are the causative factors of the illness. In the same way, behaviour problems in children can sometimes be relieved by social methods. In the past year, pre-care cases have been referred by local Councillors, by Church Leaders and by relatives.

In-care concerns the welfare of the patient, while he is in hospital; these duties are covered by the Psychiatric Social Worker stationed at the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth. Problems concerning conditions at home, care of dependent relatives, insurance and personal anxieties are referred to the Psychiatric Social Worker who is available to all patients. Contact with home and relatives is still an important part of the psychiatric social service. Home enquiries serve two purposes in that the patient's home background and difficulties are made known to the psychiatrist and the relatives are able to receive help and guidance in understanding the mental suffering of the patient.

The after-care service of patients resident in Breconshire is undertaken jointly by the Health Visitors of the Local

Authority and the Psychiatric Social Worker stationed at the Mid-Wales Hospital, Talgarth. The number of persons receiving after-care has risen steeply in the past year due to the increase of referrals made by the Maindiff Court Hospital. In order to co-ordinate the after-care service, a day conference is held each month at which medical, nursing and welfare staff meet to discuss patients' problems, to learn of recent developments in treatment and to contact individual patients from their own areas. The Mid-Wales Hospital Staff act as a source of reference to those who deal with patients in their own homes.

Continued effort has been made to keep th general public knowledgeable and in sympathy with mental ill health by talks and discussions with voluntary social groups. This proves a means of general education and it is hoped that the resettlement of ex-patients into employment and among their neighbours is facilitated when fear of mental abnormality is dispersed by factual information.

Analysis of work for the year.

No. of admissions to Mid-Wales Hospital	...	91
No. of discharges from Mid-Wales Hospital	...	94
No. of patients receiving psychiatric after care	...	217
No. of after care visits made by P.S.W.	...	791
Visits of Kindred Social Work	...	113
No. of attendances at Psychiatric O.P. Clinic, at Brecon	...	624

Signed GWENDOLINE MORGAN,
Psychiatric Social Worker.

May, 1966.

NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948

I am indebted to the Welfare Department for supplying information of work under the National Assistance Act.

The Welfare Committee of the Council is responsible for the work under this Act.

Section 21—(i) (a) Homes for the Aged.

Ashburnham House, Talgarth	...	15 beds
Brynhyfryd, Builth Wells	...	15 beds
Cockcroft House, Hay-on-Wye	...	65 beds
Crawshay House, Brynmawr	...	36 beds
The Grove, Ystradgynlais	...	25 beds

Each Home can provide accommodation for both male and female residents and, if necessary, married couples. During the

year 35 people have been admitted to Homes for the Aged in the county, and 36 discharged (22 to hospitals for short periods, 4 for long periods and 10 have been discharged for other reasons). Ten residents have died in the Homes and 13 have died in Hospital. There is one Breconshire person in a Home maintained by a Voluntary Organisation and one person in accommodation provided by another authority. Accommodation is provided for 22 persons from other authorities. A new Home at Cefn Coed for 15 persons will be completed early in 1966 and a new Home for 28 persons will be completed at Hay-on-Wye by December, 1966, the latter Home replacing the 65-bedded former Public Assistance Institution at Hay-on-Wye. A new 45-bedded Home (including an annexe of 15 beds for blind persons) is to be commenced immediately at Brecon.

Section 21—(i) (b) Provision of Temporary Accommodation.

Temporary accommodation, for persons who are in urgent need thereof, on account of circumstances which could not reasonably have been foreseen, is provided at Welfare House, Llangattock.

Section 29—(i) Handicapped Persons (General Classes).

Under this section of the Act, a scheme for handicapped persons has been adopted. There are 139 people registered under the scheme, as follows:—

Classification.	Number.
Amputation ...	16
Arthritis and Rheumatism ...	35
Congenital Malformations and Deformities ...	3
Diseases of Digestive and Genito-Urinary systems; of the Heart and Circulatory systems; of the Respiratory system other than Tuberculosis and of the skin ...	12
Injuries to the head, face, neck, thorax, abdomen, pelvis or trunk, injuries or diseases (other than tuberculosis) of the upper and lower limbs and of the spine, Organic nervous diseases—Epilepsy, Disseminated Sclerosis Poliomyelities, Hemiplegia, Sciatica, etc. ...	31
Neuroses, Psychoses and other nervous and mental disorders ...	6
Tuberculosis (Respiratory) ...	2
Tuberculosis (Non-Respiratory) ...	2
Diseases and Injuries not specified above ...	16
	139

Age Groups.	Number.
5 — 15	0
16 — 20	7
21 — 50	55
51 — 64	33
65 and over	44
	139

8 severely handicapped persons are in accommodation provided by voluntary organisations, e.g. Cheshire Homes, etc., on behalf of the County Council.

The Council also assist many other registered handicapped persons, e.g. holidays, adaptations in the home, special aids, etc. The Council has also entered into an agreement with the Cambrian Factory, Llanwrtyd Wells, whereby the factory take registered disabled non ex-servicemen for training and subsequent employment under sheltered conditions—12 persons are so assisted. Car badges can be issued to disabled drivers which will assist them with parking.

Section 31—Contributions to Old People's Organisations.

The Council may make contributions to Old People's Welfare Organisations upon application, and during the year under review, 11 grants were made.

Section 48—Temporary Protection of Property.

The Council may, where no other suitable arrangements have been or are being made for the temporary protection of property of persons admitted to Hospitals, etc., arrange for such property to be protected and take reasonable steps to prevent or mitigate the loss or damage thereof.

Application.

Application for the above services should be made to the County Welfare Department, Council Chamber Building, Glamorgan Street, Brecon (Tel. Brecon 2311).

Section 29. **April, 1966.**

Welfare of the Blind and Partially-Sighted.

The Council's scheme is very comprehensive and provides:—

Ophthalmic examinations, (domiciliary visits where necessary),

registration of blind and partially-sighted persons,

a visiting service,

welfare services,

special equipment and appliances,

wireless sets for the blind, (as agents for the Wireless for the Blind Fund),

a teaching service for braille, moon, and handicrafts, supplies of handicraft materials at cost prices,

help with the obtaining of orders and marketing of goods,

assistance with the arrangements for rehabilitation including, according to means, financial assistance, help with training and placement in employment in conjunction with the Ministry of Labour and the Youth Employment Service,

a holiday scheme with financial assistance, according to means,

Social Centres, handicraft classes, parties and outings.

During the year the Ophthalmic Surgeons examined and completed Forms B.D.8 in respect of 88 persons, certifying them as follows:—

	Blind	P.S.	Neither	Re-Exams	Total
Mr. G. W. Hoare ...	14	12	1	24	51
Mr. F. G Hibbert ...	1	1	6	6	14
Mr. H. F. T. MacFetridge ...	3	2	2	3	10
Mr. G. Vine-Cole ...	3	1	2	1	7
Mr. Roy Thomas ...	—	1	2	1	4
Mr. Tudor Thomas ...	1	—	—	—	1
Mr. T. Evan Jones ...	—	1	—	—	1
	22	18	13	35	88

The 35 re-examinations resulted in the following changes in category:—

11 Partially-sighted persons became blind.
4 Blind persons became partially-sighted.
2 Blind persons were decertified.
5 Partially-sighted persons were decertified.

There were 18 Domiciliary visits during the year.

The Register of Blind and Partially-sighted persons at 31.22.65.

Blind.

	Age Groups.					
	0-15	16-20	21-49	50-64	65+	Totals
Males ...	3	1	7	9	54	74
Females ...	—	—	8	8	70	86
	3	1	15	17	124	160

Partially-Sighted	Age Groups. 0-15	16-20	21-49	50-64	65+	Totals
Males ...	2	1	5	8	19	35
Females ..	3	2	4	13	63	85
	5	3	9	21	82	120

One baby was registered blind during the year but is having treatment following which it is hoped that at least some sight will be restored. One baby was registered partially-sighted but is also mentally subnormal.

Welfare of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing.

The Council's scheme provides the same comprehensive services for the deaf and hard of hearing as for the blind with the exception of the provision of wireless sets, ophthalmic exams, the teaching of braille and moon.

The Register of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing persons at 31.12.65.

	Class A. (Deaf without speech).	Class B. (Deaf with speech but hearing aid of no use).	Hard of hearing.	Totals.
Males ...	8	7	97	112
Females ...	4	16	171	191
	12	23	268	303

The registered physically handicapped are also invited to the Social Centres, Handicraft Classes, parties and outings.

Welfare Officers and Mental Welfare Officers in the County.—

1	*Brynmawr. Llanelly Hill and Crickhowell	Mr. T. V. Rees, Welfare Offices. Lower Bailey Street, Brynmawr.
2.	Vaynor and Penderyn.	Mrs. M M R. England, 3, Monumental Terrace, Cefn Coed.
3	Ystradgynlais.	Mr. W. T. Davies, Station Road, Ystradgynlais.
4	*Brecknock and Defynnog.	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, The Watton, Brecon.
5	*Hay, Talgarth and Builth.	Mr. D. J. Davies, Old Mason's Arms, Talgarth.

*Whole-time Officers.

MISCELLANEOUS—

Smallpox Hospitals. — Arrangements have been made for Smallpox Cases to be admitted to Penrhys Hospital and for Consultants to be called in to suspected cases. On diagnosing a case the Consultant will be responsible for arranging for Penrhys Hospital to be ready to receive the patient. In emergencies, where

the consultants are not immediately available, a telephone call should be put through to the City Isolation Hospital, Cardiff (Telephone: Cardiff 21466), giving details to a responsible officer. The patient will be removed by the County Council under their Ambulance Scheme made under Section 27 of the N.H. Service Act, 1946.

Examinations of Staffs—The Medical Staff of the County Health Department undertake, often at short notice, the examination of candidates for various County and Education appointments.

The Education Committee has directed that all candidates be examined and X-rayed on appointment. This is to include all persons already on the staff who are appointed to new posts.

The cost of X-ray Examination is borne by the Local Health Authority under Section 28 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, with the exception of any X-Rays of Training College Candidates, in which case the cost is paid by the Ministry of Education.

Food and Drugs Act, 1955, Section 31. Biological Sampling of Milk.

During the calendar year, 1965, a total of 214 samples of milk were taken from schools, producer-retailers and pasteurisation plants, for bacteriological and/or biological examination by the Public Health Laboratory Service.

These samples were taken as follows:

Schools	...	111
Producer-Retailers, etc.	...	78
Pasteurisation Plants	...	25

Seven samples of Tuberculin Tested milk gave positive reactions to the Brucella Ring Test, all of which were found to be negative following animal inoculation examination. The normal precautions of informing the District Medical Officers were carried out, when samples first gave a positive reaction.

Milk in Schools Scheme.

A total of 120 samples were taken from supplies to schools made up of 109 Pasteurised samples and 11 untreated. None of the eleven untreated samples showed evidence of Brucella Abortus or Bovine Tubercle organisms.

Milk (Special Designations) Regulations 1960.

Ninety-five samples were procured consisting of 61 untreated and 34 Pasteurised.

Of the 61 untreated samples all were free of Bovine Tubercle.

seven gave positive Ring Test results for Brucella Abortus, three of which also gave animal inoculation positive results. In these cases the usual administrative chain of County M.O.H., District M.O.H., Ministry Veterinary Officer was set in motion.

Pasteurisation Plants.

Twenty-four samples were taken from the two pasteurisation plants in the County and proved to be satisfactory.

The Liquid Egg (Pasteurisation) Regulations 1963.

There are no premises within the county of Brecon where plant is situated under the above

Food Hygiene (General) Regulations, 1960.

Work under these Regulations is undertaken by the District Medical Officers of Health and details of this should appear in their Annual Reports.

Child Guidance Clinics.

The Breconshire Education Committee has approved the setting up of child guidance clinics and for this purpose they have appointed a full-time Speech Therapist and an Educational Psychologist.

Dr. G. Diggle, Consultant Psychiatrist, Mid-Wales Hospital Talgarth, and Miss Gwen Morgan, Psychiatric Social Worker, also of Talgarth Hospital, have kindly agreed to take part in the scheme when this can be put into operation. Dr. Diggle has agreed to give one session per fortnight for this work. The Medical Staff of the Health Department of the Breconshire County Council will also be included in this Child Guidance Team, as will also, the various Health Visitors in the County.

It was anticipated that the appointment of the Education Psychologist and the Speech Therapist would have co-incided with the erection of new clinic premises in Brecon. Provision for adequate facilities for this work was planned but unfortunately delay has been experienced with the project.

A further set back has been experienced in this provision by the resignation of Miss G. A Samuel as Speech Therapist. Frequent advertisement for a successor had failed to produce any response by the end of the year.

In the meantime advantage is being taken of existing Child Guidance Clinics at Merthyr Tydfil, Hereford, and at Morriston Hospital.

As mentioned in a previous report, when this service has been brought into operation it will cater for the School Age Child, and the Pre-School Age Child. The Child Guidance team will be in close touch with all medical and nursing staff of child welfare clinics and will be able to advise on emotional development and behaviour diffieulties which they encounter in their contacts with mothers and young children.

Table I.—Vital Statistics for Various Districts for 1965.

NAME OF DISTRICT	Population estimated to the middle of the year	Births				Nett Deaths belonging to the District.										Perinatal Mortality Rate per 1,000 Live and † Still Births
		Live Births		Still Births		At all ages		Infants under 1 wk of age		Under 4 weeks of age		Under 1 year of age		Maternal		
		Number	Rate	Number	Rate *	Number	Rate	Number	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Number	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Number	Rate per 1,000 Live Births	Childbirth, Abortion Pregnancy.	Rate per 1,000 Births	
Brecon Urban ...	5970	93	15·57	1	10 63	73	12 22	...	...	...	...	1	10 75	...	...	10·63
Brynmawr Urban ...	6370	100	15·69	9	82 56	85	13·34	2	20 00	2	20·00	2	20 00	...	...	100·91
Builth Wells Urban ...	1600	34	8 12	1	28 57	23	14 37	1	29·42	2	58 81	2	58·81	...	...	57 14
Hay Urban ...	1310	25	19·08	...	...	33	25·19	1	40 00	1	40 00	1	40 00	..	..	40·40
Llanwrtyd Wells Urban...	510	1	1·96	...	.	12	23 52	...	...	...	...	...	..	...	...	...
Brecon Rural ...	7010	104	14·83	2	18 86	81	11·55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	18·86
Builth Rural ...	3130	41	13·09	1	23·80	26	8·30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	23·80
Crickhowell Rural ...	7940	134	16 87	2	14·70	86	10·83	1	7·46	1	7·46	1	7·46	...	...	22 05
Hay Rural ...	3480	56	16 09	...	...	74	21 26	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vaynor & Pend'yn Rural	6430	122	18·97	3	24 00	58	9 02	3	24 59	3	24 59	7	57 37	...	...	32·00
Ystradgynlais Rural ...	10710	155	14 47	1	6 41	145	13·53	2	12·90	2	12·90	3	19 35	...	...	19 23
Brecon County ...	54460	865	15·88	20	22 59	696	12 78	10	11·56	11	12·71	17	19.65	.	...	33·89
England and Wales ...	...	...	18·1	...	15 7	...	11 5	...	...	...	13 0	...	19·0	...	0 25	...
Brecon County, 1964	54320	861	15·85	17	19 36	742	13·65	17	19·74	20	22·06	30	34·84	...	...	38 71

*The rate for Still Births is the rate per 1,000 Live and Still Births.

† The rate for Still Births and Deaths under 1 week combined per 1,000 total Live and Still Births.

Table II.—Vital Statistics.

Causes and Ages at Death during year 1965.

WHOLE COUNTY.

CAUSES OF DEATH	All Ages	Under 4 weeks	4 weeks and under 1 year	1 to 4 years	5 to 14 years	15 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 and over
ALL CAUSES—Males ..	388	6	2	1	1	2	7	8	27	62	105	16
Females ..	308	5	4	5	..	4	..	7	11	29	69	17
Totals ..	696	11	6	6	1	6	7	15	38	91	174	34
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
2. Tuberculosis, Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
3. Syphilitic, Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
4. Diphtheria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
5. Whooping Cough ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
6. Meningococcal Infections ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
7 Acute Poliomyelitis ...	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
8. Measles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	.
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases ..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ..	14	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	3	
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung Bronchus ..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	7	5	
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ..	16	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	4	4	
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	1	
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms ..	51	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	2	7	16	2
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia ..	2	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
16. Diabetes ..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2	
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ..	98	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	3	26	6
18. Coronary Disease, Angina ..	149	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	16	32	39	6
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease ..	14	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	5	
20. Other Heart Diseases ..	111	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	3	8	17	8
21. Other Circulatory Disease ..	42	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	11	2
22. Influenza ..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	
23. Pneumonia ..	17	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	7	
24. Bronchitis ..	33	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	3	12	1
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System ..	18	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	4	7	
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	8	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	3	
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	5	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	2	
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis ..	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	4	1
29. Hyperplasia of Prostate ..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
31. Congenital Malformations ..	7	3	3	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..
32. Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases ..	43	8	2	..	..	1	1	2	2	7	7	1
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents ..	11	..	..	2	1	..	2	1	3	1	1	..
34. All Other Accidents ..	8	..	..	..	..	1	2	1	..	1	1	2
35. Suicide ..	3	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	2	..	..
36. Homicide and Operations of War	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Table III.—Vital Statistics.

Causes of Deaths in the Separate Districts of the County during the year 1965.

CAUSES OF DEATH	URBAN					RURAL						TOTAL
	Brecon	Brynmawr	Builth Wells	Hay	Llanwrtyd Wells	Brecon	Builth	Crickhowell	Hay	Vaynor and Penderyn	Ystradgynlais	
1. Tuberculosis, Respiratory ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Tuberculosis, Other ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
3. Syphilitic, Diseases ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
4. Diphtheria ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
5. Whooping Cough ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
6. Meningococcal Infections ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
7. Acute Poliomyelitis ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
8. Measles ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
9. Other Infective and Parasitic Diseases ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	1	4
10. Malignant Neoplasm, Stomach ..	1	1	1	3	..	..	3	..	1	1	3	14
11. Malignant Neoplasm, Lung Bronchus .	..	3	1	..	..	1	2	2	..	2	7	18
12. Malignant Neoplasm, Breast ..	1	1	..	2	..	2	1	1	1	3	4	16
13. Malignant Neoplasm, Uterus ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	2	..	2	5
14. Other Malignant and Lymphatic Neoplasms ..	5	8	2	2	..	7	2	9	4	5	7	51
15. Leukaemia, Aleukaemia ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	1	2
16. Diabetes ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	1	1	5
17. Vascular Lesions of Nervous System ..	10	11	4	8	2	15	1	11	9	11	16	98
18. Coronary Disease, Angina ..	13	18	6	3	..	18	6	19	17	10	39	149
19. Hypertension with Heart Disease ..	2	3	..	..	..	1	1	5	..	..	2	14
20. Other Heart Diseases ..	16	5	4	8	10	19	7	12	17	3	10	111
21. Other Circulatory Diseases ...	10	4	1	1	..	5	..	2	5	5	9	42
22. Influenza	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
23. Pneumonia ..	..	2	..	2	..	2	..	1	3	1	6	17
24. Bronchitis ..	5	8	..	..	..	4	..	5	3	..	8	33
25. Other Diseases of Respiratory System ..	..	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	2	2	10	18
26. Ulcer of Stomach and Duodenum	1	1	..	..	..	2	..	2	1	1	..	8
27. Gastritis, Enteritis and Diarrhoea	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	2	5
28. Nephritis and Nephrosis ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3	2	..	1	7
29. Hyperplasia of Prostate ..	2	1	..	..	..	1	1	1	..	..	..	6
30. Pregnancy, Childbirth, Abortion	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
31. Congenital Malformations ..	2	..	1	1	..	..	..	..	..	2	1	7
32. Other Defined and Ill-Defined Diseases ..	3	10	2	1	..	..	..	6	3	8	10	43
33. Motor Vehicle Accidents ..	1	2	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	2	4	11
34. All Other Accidents ..	..	2	..	1	..	2	..	1	1	..	1	8
35. Suicide ..	..	..	1	1	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	3
36 Homicide and Operations of War	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	73	85	23	33	12	81	26	86	74	58	145	696
Totals, 1964 ..	77	82	29	26	12	93	34	89	71	72	157	742

Table IV.—Notifiable Diseases, 1965.

DISTRICT	Small Pox	Scarlet Fever	Diphtheria	Food Poisoning	Acute Pneumonia	Acute Polio-my'litis		Erysipelas	Ophthalmia Neonatorum	Puerperal Pyrexia	Measles	Infective Encephalitis	Whooping Cough	Tuber-culosis		Dysentery	Meningococcal Infection	Para Typhoid	TOTALS
						Paralytic	Non-Paralytic							Non-Pulmonary	Pulmonary				
Brecon Urban ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	12
Brynmawr Urban ..	..	4	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	4	1	..	..	..	..	11
Builth Wells Urban ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Hay Urban ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	..	..	..	3
Llanwrtyd Wells Urban ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	2
Brecon Rural ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	43	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	45
Builth Rural ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	4	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	6
Hay Rural ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Crickhowell Rural ..	..	6	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	24	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	33
Vaynor & Penderyn Rural ..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	2
Ystradgynlais Rural ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	34	1	..	..	6	..	..	..	41
Totals ..	..	14		..	1	..	..	..	..	..	119	1	4	2	14	1	..	..	156
Totals, 1964 ..	..	18	..	1	1	..	..	1	..	2	540	..	27	6	11	2	1	..	610

Table V.—Tuberculosis.

Summary of Notifications during the period fr om 1st January, 1965 to 31st December, 1965.

	Notification on Form A.													
	Number of Primary Notifications.													
Age Periods ..	0 — 1	1 — 2	2 — 5	5 — 10	10 — 15	15 — 20	20 — 25	25 — 35	35 — 45	45 — 55	55 — 65	65 — 75	75 and upwards	Totals—All Ages)
Respiratory—Males ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	4	2	1	1	2	—	12
,, Females ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	1	..	..	1	1	..	4
Non-Respiratory—Males ..	..	..	..	..	..	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
Females ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Totals ..	..	..	..	..	..	2	2	5	2	1	2	3	..	17

Table VI.—Showing the work of the Health Visitors during the year 1965.

DISTRICT	NUMBER OF VISITS PAID											
	Pre Natal Visits		Visits to Children under 1		Visits to Children 1-2		Visits to Children 2-5		Visits to T.B. Households	Others	First Visits Paid to Households during the Year	Total Visits paid
	First Visits	Total Visits	First	Total	First	Total	First	Total				
Brecon Urban ..	16	33	73	440	57	303	105	520	70	180	233	1546
Brynmawr Urban ..	2	2	86	277	64	274	34	136	49	140	123	878
Builth Urban and Rural ..	25	48	64	394	53	253	148	807	66	86	223	1654
Hay Urban and Rural ..	—	—	85	518	65	595	145	790	128	65	300	2096
Llanwrtyd Urban and Builth Rural (Part) ..	6	13	14	32	42	266	80	550	13	307	170	1181
Brecon Rural and Crickhowell Rural (Part) ..	2	10	68	825	77	467	110	632	74	549	225	2557
Brecon Urban, Brecon Rural (Defynnog, etc.) ..	1	1	69	525	30	547	215	736	48	130	229	1987
Builth Rural (Llanwrthwl, Llysdinam, etc.) ..	1	5	2	18	5	32	12	49	—	86	6	190
Vaynor & Penderyn Rural, excluding Cefn Coed	7	27	83	362	51	285	199	676	73	207	178	1630
Crickhowell Rural (Clydach and Gilwern) ..	—	—	90	412	110	491	90	568	82	57	133	1610
Crickhowell Rural (Darenfelen) ..	19	44	10	111	9	70	3	88	15	131	36	459
Cefn Coed ..	6	6	66	353	106	310	272	650	34	62	424	415
Ystradgynlais Rural (Part) ..	1	1	82	306	21	245	37	167	129	252	122	1100
Ystradgynlais Rural (Abercrave) and Ystradgynlais Rural (Colbren) ..	13	20	63	356	70	405	90	392	97	176	150	1446
TOTALS ..	99	210	845	4329	760	4543	1540	6761	878	2428	2552	19749

N.B.—The figures under "Firsts Visits" are repeated in "Total Visits."

Table VII.—Dental Care of Mothers and Young Children, under Section 22. of the National Health Service Act, 1946.

1965

(a) Numbers provided with Dental Care:—

	Examined	No. of persons who commenced Treatment during year.	No. of courses of Treatment completed during year.
Expectant and Nursing Mothers ...	27	22	15
Children under Five ...	54	35	19

(b) Forms of Dental Treatment Provided:—

	Scalings and Gum Treatment	Fillings	Silver Nitrate Treatment	Crowns or Inlays	Extractions	General Anaesthetics	Dentures Provided		Radiographs
							Full Upper or Lower	Partial Upper or Lower	
Expectant and Nursing Mothers ...	10	38	...	...	38	1	5	7	1
Children under Five	4	29	...	...	42	6	...	...	...

Table VIII.—Analysis of Premature Births (Live and Still) belonging to the County, 1965.

Premature babies born during the year (whose mothers normally reside in the area) including babies born in maternity homes and hospitals in or outside the County.

WEIGHT AT BIRTH	PREMATURE LIVE BIRTHS.												Premature Still Births	
	Born in Hospital				Born at Home or in a Nursing Home									
					Nursed entirely at Home or in a Nursing Home				Transferred to hospital on or before 28th day					
		Died				Died				Died			Born	
	Total Births	Within 24 hours of birth	In 1 and under 7 days	In 7 and under 28 days	Total Births	Within 24 hours of birth	In 1 and under 7 days	In 7 and under 28 days	Total Births	Within 24 hours of birth	In 1 and under 7 days	In 7 and under 28 days	In hospital	At home or in a Nursing Home
2lb. 3oz. or less ...	1	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Over 2lb. 3oz. up to and including 3lb. 4oz. ...	3	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	...
Over 3lb. 4oz. up to and including 4lb. 6oz. ...	9	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	6	...
Over 4lb. 6oz. up to and including 4lb. 15oz, ...	12	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
Over 4lb. 15oz. up to and including 5lb. 8oz. ...	24	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	...
TOTAL ...	49	4	1	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	12	...

Table IX—Telephone Numbers of Ambulance Stations serving the County.

Ambulance Areas.	1st Call. (a)	Alternative Calls. (b)	(c)
(a) Brecon and District.—Including Sennybridge, Cray, Trallong, Llanfihangel Nantbran, Defynock, Llanspyddid, Talybont, Llanfrynach, Llechfaen, Llanhamlach, Merthyr Cynog, Llandefaelog, Llanddew, Battle, Aberyscir, Talyllyn, Llangorse, Llanfillo, etc.	Brecon 2610	Bwlch 289	Hay 619 *Hay 586
(b) Builth and District.—Including, Llanwrtyd, Llandulas, Llanafan, Garth, Abergwessin, Llanganten, Llanynis, Maesmynis, Llanwrthwl, Llysdinam, Llandewi'r Cwm, Llangammarch Wells, etc.	Builth 3147	Llandrindod 2232	Hay 619 *Hay 586
(c) Crickhowell and District.—Including, Bwlch, Llangynidr, Cwmdu, Gilwern, Llanbedr, Llangenny, Llangattock, etc.	Bwlch 289	Brecon 2610	Brynmawr 238
(d) Hay and Talgarth.—Including, Llanigon, Velindre, Tregoyd, Llandefalle, Bronllys, Pipton, etc.	Hay 619 *Hay 586	Brecon 2610	Hereford 4451 or Bwlch 289
(e) Ystradgynlais, Abercrave, Penrhos, Cwmtwrch, etc.	Glantawe 2113	Neath 3786	Brecon 2610
(f) Brynmawr, Clydach, Darenfelen, and Llanelly Hill, etc.	Brynmawr 238	Bwlch 289	Caerleon 283
(g) Cefn Coed, Vaynor and Pontsticill	Merthyr 3715 during Office hours only—9 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. & 2.15 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. (Mondays to Fridays), and 9 a.m. to 12 noon (Saturdays).	Merthyr 2855	*Hay 619—Mon. to Fri., 8.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.; Sat. 8.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Hay 586 at all other times.
(h) Hirwaun, Penderyn and Ystradfellte	Pontypridd 3327 & 3486	—	—
(i) Pontneathvaughan	Neath 3641	—	—
(j) Carmarthen	Carmarthen 6666	24 hour control.	
(k) Llandrindod	Llandrindod 2232	Rhayader 476	

N.B.—These telephone numbers are not necessarily those exhibited in Post Office Telephone Exchanges for Emergency Calls, and all persons making emergency calls are advised to carry out the instructions in Kiosks and Telephone Directories.

Table X.—Chiropody Service.

A. Details of Patients treated and number of attendances made at the individual Clinics between 1st January, 1965 and the 31st December, 1965.

CLINICS	Half-day Sessions	Patients				Attendances			
		Elderly	Physically Handicapped	Expectant Mothers	Others	Elderly	Physically Handicapped	Expectant Mothers	Others
Brecon ..	71	63	5	—	4	473	16	—	19
Brynmawr ..	37	49	1	—	—	259	1	—	—
Ystradgynlais ..	44	82	2	—	2	364	10	—	11
Abercrave ..	24	58	—	—	—	200	—	—	—
Hay ..	34	46	1	—	—	244	4	—	—
Crickhowell ..	35	98	—	—	1	251	—	—	10
Cefn Coed ..	21	57	—	—	—	147	—	—	—
Builth Wells ..	55	101	4	—	1	381	11	—	1
Gilwern ..	15	17	1	—	—	116	1	—	—
Colbren ..	21	13	—	—	—	148	—	—	—
Cwmtwrch ..	29	29	—	—	—	286	—	—	—
Llanelly Hill ..	19	33	—	—	—	133	—	—	—
Talgarth	2	4	—	—	—	8	—	—	—
Pontneathvaughan	6	16	—	—	—	48	—	—	—
Totals ..	413	666	15	—	7	3058	43	—	41

B. Details of Domiciliary Visits:—

District		Number of Patients	Number of Visits
URBAN			
Brecon	..	3	8
Brynmawr	..	8	35
Builth Wells	..	1	2
Hay-on-Wye	..	2	6
Llanwrtyd Wells	..	—	—
RURAL			
Brecon	..	10	41
Builth	..	—	—
Crickhowell	..	9	31
Hay	..	—	—
Vaynor and Penderyn	..	30	91
Ystradgynlais	..	82	275
Totals	..	145	489

C. Average number of domiciliary visits made to a case: 3.37.

Table XI—

BRECONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
Mental Welfare Officers

List of Mental Welfare Officers set out in districts show ing the first officer to be contacted when required in that district. If unsuccessful in contacting the first officer, calls can then be made upon the second named officer, or the Public Health Department, at Brecon 2456/7.

District	Officers responsible for Area.	Second Officer to be contacted.	Third Officer to be contacted.
Brecon and Sennybridge Areas.	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, Watton, Brecon. Tele.: Brecon 2040 (Home).	Mr. D. J. Davies, Old Mason's Arms, Talgarth Tele.: Talgarth 250.	Mr. R. I. Jones, c/o Public Health Department, Watton Offices, Brecon. Tele.: Brecon 2456/7 during Office hours, or at other times Llangorse 287 (Home)
Hay, Talgarth and Builth Areas.	Mr. D. J. Davies, Old Mason's Arms, Talgarth Tele.: Talgarth 250.	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, Watton, Brecon. Tele.: Brecon 2040 (Home).	
Cefn Coed, Hirwaun and Penderyn Areas.	Mrs. M. M. R. England, 3, Monumental Terrace, Cefn Coed. Tele.: Merthyr 3886 (Home)	Mr. T. V. Rees, Welfare Office, Lower Bailey Street, Brynmawr. Tele.: Brynmawr 254. (Home Gilwern 450).	
Pontneathvaughan.	Mrs. M. M. R. England, 3, Monumental Terrace, Cefn Coed. Tele.: Merthyr 3886 (Home)	Mr. W. T. Davies, c/o Peglers Buildings, Station Road, Ystradgynlais Tele.: Glantawe 3104.	
Brynmawr and Darenfelen	Mr. T. V. Rees, Welfare Office, Lower Bailey Street, Brynmawr. Tele.: Brynmawr 254. (Home Gilwern 450)).	Mrs. M. M. R. England, 3, Monumental Terrace, Cefn Coed. Tele.: Merthyr 3886 (Home)	
Gilwern, Clydach and Crickhowell.	Mr. T. V. Rees, Welfare Office, Lower Bailey Street, Brynmawr. Tele.: Brynmawr 254. (Home Gilwern 450).	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, Watton, Brecon. Tele.: Brecon 2040 (Home).	
Ystradgynlais.	Mr. W. T. Davies, c/o Peglers Buildings, Station Road, Ystradgynlais	Mr. H. G. Edwards, 13, Watton, Brecon. Tele.: Brecon 2040 (Home)	

TABLE XII

	Mentally Ill				Psychopath				Subnormal				Severely Subnormal				Totals Subnormal		
	Under 16 years		Over 16 years		Under 16 years		Over 16 years		Under 16 years		Over 16 years		Under 16 years		Over 16 years		Under 16 years	Over 16 years	Grand Totals
Section A.	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F	M	F			
Number of patients under L.H.A. care at 31.12.65																			
(a) Attending day training centre ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	2	2	1	6	4	10
Awaiting entry thereto	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	2	1	1	8	2	5	12	10	22
(b) Receiving home visits	0	0	57	144	0	0	0	0	1	2	20	14	1	8	14	18	12	66	279
(c) Resident in Residential Training Centres ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2
(d) Resident at L.H.A. expense by boarding out in private households ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Number of patients in (a) to (c) ...	0	0	57	144	0	0	0	0	1	2	21	14	7	10	16	19	20	70	291
Number of patients in LHA area on waiting list for admission to hospital at 31.12.65																			
(a) In urgent need of hospital care ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1
Section B.																			
Referred by—																			
Hospitals, on discharge from in-patient treatment	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Local Education Authorities ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	3	0	0	6	0	0	0	6
Other sources ...	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0